

THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1	LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL MEETING
2	2016-2017 RECOMMENDED BUDGET HEARING
3	WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016, 9:30 A.M.
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7	HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE ARE OFFICIALLY BEGINNING OUR ANNUAL
8	CALL OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON OUR BUDGET HEARING
9	TODAY ON MAY 11, 2016. THE PUBLIC HEARING IS HELD, AS YOU
10	KNOW, TO PROVIDE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO
11	GIVE TESTIMONY ON THE 2016/2017 RECOMMENDED BUDGET. WE HAVE A
12	LIST OF SPEAKERS, AND I WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN BY TURNING IT OVER
13	TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WHO WILL PROVIDE A SLIDE
14	PRESENTATION. BUT WANT TO MAKE A NOTE TO THE PUBLIC RIGHT NOW
15	FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT SPEAKERS WILL BE
16	ALLOTTED.
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18	LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. FOLLOWING
19	THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S PRESENTATION AND DEPARTMENT
20	SPEAKERS, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES TO
21	SPEAK ON BOTH ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.
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23	HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SACHI HAMAI.
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- 1 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
- 2 BOARD. GOOD MORNING. TODAY IS OUR 2016-17 PUBLIC HEARING ON
- 3 THE RECOMMENDED BUDGETS. YOU DO, AS YOU INDICATED, HAVE A
- 4 SLIDE PRESENTATION IN FRONT OF YOU. THIS IS JUST KIND OF AN
- 5 OVERVIEW OF THE BUDGET AND WHERE WE ARE. AND IT'S GOOD
- 6 INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC TO UNDERSTAND OUR BUDGET PROCESS.
- 7 AND SO, WE'LL BEGIN WITH PAGE 2 IN TERMS OF WHERE DO OUR
- 8 RESOURCES COME FROM, WHERE DO OUR RESOURCES GO, AND THE FUTURE
- 9 BUDGET ISSUES THAT ARE FACING THE COUNTY TODAY. SO FIRST OF
- 10 ALL, THE COUNTY HAS FOUR PRIMARY REVENUE SOURCES ALONG WITH
- 11 FUNDING THAT IS EARMARKED FOR SPECIAL FUNDS AND DISTRICTS.
- 12 FUNDING FOR SPECIAL FUNDS AND DISTRICTS ARE KEPT OUTSIDE OF
- 13 THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND, AND USE OF THIS FUNDING IS
- 14 RESTRICTED. STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUES ARE PRIMARILY TO
- 15 REIMBURSE THE COUNTY FOR ADMINISTERING STATE AND FEDERAL
- 16 PROGRAMS. CHARGES FOR SERVICES ARE PRIMARILY RELATED TO THE
- 17 CONTRACT CITY SERVICES AND PATIENT CARE REIMBURSEMENT AT
- 18 COUNTY HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CENTERS. LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUE
- 19 IS THE MOST IMPORTANT REVENUE SOURCE TO THE COUNTY, AND IT IS
- 20 USED TO FINANCE THE NET COUNTY COST PORTION OF OUR BUDGET.
- 21 UNLIKE THE OTHER REVENUE SOURCES, LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUE IS
- 22 USED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COUNTY. ON PAGE 4, THIS IS A
- 23 PICTURE OF OUR LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUES. AND AGAIN, LOCALLY
- 24 GENERATED REVENUE HAS AN ONGOING COMPONENT, WHICH INCLUDES
- 25 SUCH THINGS AS PROPERTY TAX, DEED TRANSFER TAX, VEHICLE



- 1 LICENSE FEES TO FUND 1991 RE-ALIGNMENT PROGRAMS, SALES TAX,
- 2 AND UTILITY USER TAX. THE ONE-TIME COMPONENT IS CALLED FUND
- 3 BALANCE, AND THIS IS USED TO FINANCE ONE-TIME PROGRAMS OR
- 4 PROJECTS WITH CAPITAL PROJECTS BEING THE LARGEST COMPONENT OF
- 5 THINGS FUNDED WITH FUND BALANCE. TODAY'S PROPERTY TAXES MAKE
- 6 UP ALMOST 70 PERCENT OF THE LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUES AND ARE
- 7 THE MOST IMPORTANT REVENUE SOURCE. ALTHOUGH PROPERTY TAXES ARE
- 8 A STABLE AND RELIABLE REVENUE SOURCE, THEY ARE CONSTRAINED BY
- 9 PROPOSITION 13 AND ITS LIMIT ON THE GROWTH AND ASSESSED
- 10 VALUATION. ON AVERAGE OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS, ASSESSED VALUE
- 11 HAS INCREASED APPROXIMATELY 4.5 PERCENT EACH YEAR. UNLIKE THE
- 12 STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE COUNTY CANNOT RAISE TAXES IN
- 13 A MATERIAL AMOUNT. LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUES ARE USED TO
- 14 FINANCE THE NET COUNTY COSTS OR N.C.C. PORTION OF THE COUNTY
- 15 BUDGET. THIS IS THE PORTION OF THE BUDGET THAT CANNOT BE
- 16 FINANCED WITH OUTSIDE REVENUES. OUR ONGOING BASE IS
- 17 APPROXIMATELY \$5.8 BILLION, AND UPON THIS AMOUNT, WE WOULD
- 18 FORECAST OUR FUTURE GROWTH. SO WHERE DO THE RESOURCES GO?
- 19 ALTHOUGH THE COUNTY'S BUDGET IS \$28.5 BILLION, THE COUNTY
- 20 REALLY ONLY HAS DISCRETION OVER ONE QUARTER OF THE BUDGET. 3/4
- 21 OF THE BUDGET, AS DISPLAYED IN THE RED PORTION OF THE PIE
- 22 GRAPH, IS USED TO ADMINISTER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS LIKE
- 23 CALWORKS AND OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS AND TO PROVIDE
- 24 PATIENT CARE SERVICES OR CONTRACT CITIES. THE GREEN AND YELLOW
- 25 SECTIONS OF THE PIE CHART REPRESENT THE NET COUNTY COST



- 1 PORTION OF OUR BUDGET AND OUR FINANCE WITH LOCALLY GENERATED
- 2 REVENUES. THE YELLOW OR M.O.E. IN MANDATORY COSTS SECTION
- 3 DESIGNATES THE LOCAL MATCH NECESSARY TO RECEIVE STATE AND
- 4 FEDERAL FUNDING. IT ALSO INCLUDES SUCH THINGS AS INDIGENT
- 5 DEFENSE FUNDING, WHICH ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LOCAL
- 6 GOVERNMENT. THE FLEXIBLE COST OR GREEN PORTION OF THE PIE
- 7 REPRESENTS THE DISCRETIONARY PORTION OF THE BUDGET AND
- 8 REFLECTS THE FUNDING PRIORITIES OF THE COUNTY. ON SLIDE 6,
- 9 OVER THE LAST YEAR, IN MOVING INTO FISCAL YEAR '16/'17, THE
- 10 BOARD HAS ADVANCED A NUMBER OF ITS KEY PRIORITIES. AND AS YOU
- 11 COULD SEE, WE'VE LISTED A NUMBER OF THOSE PRIORITIES: HOMELESS
- 12 AND HOUSING, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PROGRESS, DIVERSION AND
- 13 REENTRY, ET CETERA. THE WAY THAT I DEFINE THE BOARD'S MOVEMENT
- 14 IS CALLED HORIZONTAL INTEGRATION OF SERVICES, WHICH ALLOWS US
- 15 TO FOCUS ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S OVERALL NEEDS REGARDLESS OF THE
- 16 PROVIDER AGENCY. AN EXAMPLE OF THIS NEW MODEL IS THE PLAN
- 17 CONSOLIDATED CORRECTIONAL TREATMENT FACILITY, OR C.C.T.F.,
- 18 WHICH WILL REPLACE THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. THIS GROUNDBREAKING
- 19 FACILITY WILL HOUSE AND TREAT INMATES WITH MENTAL-HEALTH
- 20 ISSUES THROUGH THE COMBINED SERVICES OF THE SHERIFF'S
- 21 DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH
- 22 AND HEALTH SERVICES. REGARDLESS OF THE ISSUE, FROM
- 23 HOMELESSNESS TO CHILD PROTECTION TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WE
- 24 ARE BUILDING A FLEXIBLE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE THAT IS
- 25 RESPONSIVE TO OUR BUDGET PROCESS AND PLACES THE NEEDS OF OUR



- 1 RESIDENTS ABOVE THE TRADITIONS OF OUR BUREAUCRACY. ALTHOUGH WE
- 2 WERE ABLE TO ADDRESS MANY OF THE BOARD'S BUDGET PRIORITIES IN
- 3 FISCAL YEAR 2016 RECOMMENDED BUDGET, THERE REMAINS MUCH WORK
- 4 TO BE DONE TO ADDRESS FUTURE BUDGET ISSUES CONFRONTING THE
- 5 COUNTY. AND I'LL GO THROUGH EACH OF THESE. ON SLIDE 8,
- 6 BUILDING RAINY DAY FUND RESERVES, MAINTAINING A RAINY DAY FUND
- 7 IS BEST PRACTICE THAT IS RECOMMENDED FOR STATE AND LOCAL
- 8 GOVERNMENTS AS A TOOL THAT CAN BE USED TO PROTECT THEIR BUDGET
- 9 WHEN A RECESSION CAUSES A DROP IN REVENUES. SINCE WORLD WAR
- 10 II, ECONOMIC EXPANSIONS HAVE AVERAGED APPROXIMATELY FIVE
- 11 YEARS. THE CURRENT ECONOMIC EXPANSION HAS ALREADY EXCEEDED
- 12 THIS AVERAGE. WE MUST REMAIN MINDFUL THAT THE CURRENT ECONOMIC
- 13 CONDITIONS WILL GIVE WAY TO ANOTHER ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN. IT IS
- 14 DURING THESE TIMES OF STABLE ECONOMIC CONDITIONS THAT WE WANT
- 15 TO REPLENISH OUR RAINY DAY FUNDS. ALTHOUGH WE MADE SIGNIFICANT
- 16 CONTRIBUTION OF \$81 MILLION OVER THE LAST SIX MONTHS TO THE
- 17 COUNTY RAINY DAY FUND, WE ARE STILL APPROXIMATELY \$235 MILLION
- 18 BELOW THE PRESCRIBED LEVEL. ON SLIDE 9, HOMELESSNESS AND
- 19 HOUSING INITIATIVES, I THINK WE HAD A ROBUST DISCUSSION ABOUT
- 20 HOMELESSNESS YESTERDAY, AND THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST PRESSING
- 21 ISSUES FACING OUR COUNTY TODAY. IN FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR, THE
- 22 BOARD APPROVED 47 HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE STRATEGIES. ON TOP
- 23 OF THE ALMOST \$1 BILLION THAT THE COUNTY SPENDS ON SERVICES
- 24 FOR HOMELESS ADULTS, THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 RECOMMENDED
- 25 BUDGET ALSO INCLUDES MORE THAN 100 MILLION FOR THE 47 HOMELESS



- I INITIATIVE STRATEGIES. AGAIN, AS ESTIMATES FOR CLOSING THE
- 2 HOMELESS/HOUSING GAP ARE APPROXIMATELY \$450 MILLION ANNUALLY,
- 3 THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR HOUSING. GOING
- 4 FORWARD, THE COUNTY MUST SECURE AN ONGOING LONG-TERM REVENUE
- 5 SOURCE TO SUSTAIN OUR EFFORTS TO FIGHT HOMELESSNESS. THE NEXT
- 6 SLIDE, INVESTMENT IN DEFERRED MAINTENANCE AND AGING
- 7 INFRASTRUCTURE, BESIDES THE AGE AND CONDITION OF COUNTY'S
- 8 PHYSICAL ASSETS HAVE MADE ASSET MANAGEMENT ONE OF OUR CRITICAL
- 9 FOCUS AREAS. THROUGH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR STRATEGIC ASSET
- 10 MANAGEMENT PLAN, WE WILL BRING RENEWED FOCUS ON MEETING THE
- 11 CHALLENGE OF UPGRADING AND OPTIMIZING THE USE OF COUNTY
- 12 ASSETS. WORKING ACROSS DEPARTMENTAL BOUNDARIES, WE WANT TO
- 13 EXTEND THE LIFE OF OUR EXISTING ASSETS, ADDRESS UNMET NEEDS,
- 14 AND GUIDE STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS. THE NEXT SLIDE, REPLACING
- 15 OUTDATED I.T. LEGACY SYSTEMS. THE COSTS OF REPLACING OLD,
- 16 OUTDATED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS IS ESTIMATED TO BE
- 17 OVER \$256 MILLION AND GROWING. THIS INCLUDES VITAL INFORMATION
- 18 SYSTEMS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, JUSTICE, AND GENERAL OPERATION
- 19 FUNCTIONS IN THE COUNTY. IT ALSO INCLUDES THE COSTS OF
- 20 REPLACING THE VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS,
- 21 COLLECTION, AND ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS. AND, FINALLY,
- 22 UNINCORPORATED AREA STORM WATER. IN AN ATTEMPT TO COMPLY WITH
- 23 FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT, THE COUNTY PLANS TO IMPLEMENT THE 11
- 24 ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS. THE COST TO DEVELOP
- 25 SUCH PLANS THROUGHOUT THE REGION IS ESTIMATED TO BE



- 1 APPROXIMATELY \$20 BILLION OVER 20 YEARS. THE COUNTY'S SHARE
- 2 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS IS ESTIMATED TO BE \$2.7 BILLION
- 3 OVER THE NEXT 20 YEARS. THE COUNTY IS ALSO WORKING TO IDENTIFY
- 4 FUNDING TO IMPLEMENT A DROUGHT RESILIENCY WORK PLAN. AND SO,
- 5 IN CONCLUSION, WE MUST REMAIN MINDFUL OF THE POTENTIAL FOR AN
- 6 ECONOMIC DOWNTURN, AS THEY HAVE OCCURRED ON AVERAGE EVERY FIVE
- 7 YEARS SINCE WORLD WAR II. THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CYCLE ALREADY
- 8 EXCEEDS THIS AVERAGE. DEMANDS ON THE COUNTY'S BUDGET HAVE
- 9 ALWAYS AND WILL CONTINUE TO EXCEED THE ESTIMATED REVENUES. THE
- 10 FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 RECOMMENDED BUDGET CONTAIN UNMET NEED
- 11 BUDGET REQUESTS FROM COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT EXCEEDED REVENUE
- 12 BY OVER \$2 BILLION. IN DEVELOPING BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS, WE
- 13 MUST MAINTAIN THE BALANCE BETWEEN FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY,
- 14 SERVICE DELIVERY, AND PAYING RESPONSIBLE WAGES. SINCE WE
- 15 CANNOT AFFORD TO SATISFY ALL OF OUR BUDGET ISSUES, I RECOMMEND
- 16 A PHASED-IN APPROACH TO DEALING WITH THE HIGHEST PRIORITY
- 17 BUDGET DEMANDS. AND MY OFFICE IS COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH
- 18 THIS BOARD AND ALL THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO MAINTAIN A
- 19 BALANCED BUDGET WHILE PREPARING THE COUNTY FOR FUTURE BUDGET
- 20 ISSUES. THANK YOU.

- 22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS FROM
- 23 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD? NONE? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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- 1 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MADAME CHAIR, LET ME BEGIN BY THANKING THE
- 2 C.E.O. AND STAFF FOR ITS WORK ON THE BUDGET AND PRESENTING A
- 3 BALANCED BUDGET. THE BUDGET THAT IS TO BE CONSIDERED PRUDENT
- 4 SEEKS TO ADDRESS THE MAJOR ISSUES, MORE SPECIFICALLY THE
- 5 PRIORITIES THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE BOARD OVER THE
- 6 PAST YEAR. IT'S A GOOD THING WHEN WE CAN ARTICULATE WITH A
- 7 LEVEL OF COHERENCE AND TRACK THE EXTENT TO WHICH THOSE THINGS
- 8 ARE BEING CARRIED OUT. AND WHILE THERE HAS BEEN SOME MODEST
- 9 IMPROVEMENT IN OUR LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUES OVER THE PAST
- 10 YEARS, THERE'S SIMPLY NOT ENOUGH TO FUND ALL OF OUR PRIORITIES
- 11 THAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED TO DATE. SO THE ISSUE THAT HAS BEEN MOST
- 12 CONSISTENT IN TERMS OF THE ATTENTION AND DEDICATION OF
- 13 RESOURCES BY THE ENTIRE BOARD HAS BEEN THAT OF HOMELESSNESS.
- 14 WE HAD A BIG DISCUSSION ABOUT IT YESTERDAY. AND I SIMPLY WANT
- 15 TO PUT A SPOTLIGHT ON THAT FOR THE PURPOSES OF CLARIFYING IN
- 16 THE CONTEXT OF OUR BUDGET DELIBERATIONS HOW WE ARE TO ADDRESS
- 17 THAT. SO I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS THAT I THINK THE C.E.O.
- 18 PROBABLY SHOULD HELP US BETTER UNDERSTAND. AND PURSUANT TO THE
- 19 CONCERNS THAT ARE BEING EXPRESSED ABOUT THE GAP, MAYBE YOU CAN
- 20 WALK US THROUGH THAT WITH A LITTLE BIT MORE SPECIFICITY, MS.
- 21 HAMAI. WHAT DO WE NEED? HOW CAN WE BEST GET THERE? CAN WE
- 22 SERVICE THIS OBJECTIVE?

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24 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: AGAIN, I THINK THAT WE HAD A ROBUST

25 DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS YESTERDAY. IN TERMS OF THE ESTIMATED



- 1 REVENUE SHORTFALL OF ONGOING FUNDS, IT'S ESTIMATED TO BE
- 2 ANYWHERE BETWEEN \$450 TO \$500 MILLION. THE BOARD HAD, EARLIER
- 3 THIS YEAR, ASKED FOR REVENUE OPTIONS MOVING FORWARD IN ORDER
- 4 TO FIND AN ONGOING SUSTAINED REVENUE STREAM OF FUNDING TO HELP
- 5 CLOSE THE GAP. OUR OFFICE DID PUT THAT FORWARD TO THIS BOARD.
- 6 YESTERDAY'S DISCUSSION WAS CERTAINLY ONE OPTION. THERE ARE
- 7 OTHER OPTIONS. AND WE HAD A POLLING CONSULTANT THAT CAME IN
- 8 ALSO TO ASSIST WITH THE VARIOUS OPTIONS. SO I THINK AS WE MOVE
- 9 FORWARD, CERTAINLY WE WILL HAVE MORE DIALOGUE ABOUT THE
- 10 REVENUE STREAMS. AND HOPEFULLY THAT'S ANSWERING YOUR QUESTION.

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- 12 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: WELL, YOU CAN KEY IT UP ON PAGE 7 OF THE
- 13 REPORT, LOOKING AHEAD TO ISSUES THAT SPAN MULTIPLE BUDGET
- 14 YEARS. YOU MAKE REFERENCE TO THE ISSUE OF HOMELESS -- THE
- 15 RAINY DAY FUND AND THEN COMBATTING HOMELESSNESS, CREATING
- 16 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, POINT 1 AND 2 ARE RELATED. AND THEN ON
- 17 SLIDE, PAGE 9, THE HOMELESS AND HOUSING INITIATIVES SET FORTH
- 18 THE RANGE OF SPECIFICS THERE. SO I WANT TO ASK A RATHER
- 19 POINTED QUESTION. ABSENT INCREASED REVENUES, HOW DO WE GET TO
- 20 THE POINT OF SERVICING THE BOARD'S OBJECTIVE OR THE BOARD'S
- 21 PRIORITY? WHERE WILL WE GET THE \$400 MILLION THAT YOU PROJECT
- 22 AS NEEDED? HOW DO WE DO THAT? WHAT'S YOUR BEST THINKING AND
- 23 YOUR PROPOSED METHOD OF ACCOMPLISHING THAT GOAL OR PRIORITY?



- 1 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: WITH RESPECT TO THE \$450 MILLION OF
- 2 ONGOING REVENUE, IF WE DO NOT SECURE SOME KIND OF OUTSIDE
- 3 FUNDING STREAM, WHETHER IT'S A BALLOT INITIATIVE OR WE PUT
- 4 SOMETHING FORWARD TO THE VOTERS, SHOULD THE BOARD DECIDE THAT
- 5 THEY WANT TO CONTINUE DOWN THIS PATH AND TRY AND FUND THE \$450
- 6 MILLION, CERTAINLY IT WOULD BE AN IMPACT TO OUR CURRENT
- 7 SERVICES HERE. SO THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO MAKE OTHER DECISIONS
- 8 IN TERMS OF CUTTING CURRENT SERVICES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE AND
- 9 TAKE THAT ONGOING REVENUE THAT'S CURRENTLY SUSTAINING SERVICES
- 10 THAT ARE BEING PROVIDED TODAY TO FUND HOMELESSNESS
- 11 INITIATIVES.

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- 13 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: BUT IT ALL COMES DOWN TO WHAT OUR
- 14 PRIORITIES ARE.

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16 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: CORRECT.

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- 18 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: WHATEVER THOSE PRIORITIES MAY BE. THERE
- 19 ARE FOUR OVERALL PRIORITIES THAT THE BOARD ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
- 20 THE C.E.O.'S RECOMMENDATIONS. IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO REMIND US
- 21 OF WHAT THOSE ARE.

- 23 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: SO, THERE'S CHILD PROTECTION, SHERIFF
- 24 REFORM, HOMELESSNESS, AND I'M FORGETTING ONE RIGHT NOW. OH,
- 25 I'M SORRY, THE HEALTH AGENCY. THANK YOU.



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- 2 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: SO... ABSENT -- IF WE EXPECT TO SUSTAIN
- 3 THE WORK TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF HOMELESSNESS, WE'VE GOT TO
- 4 GET A BALANCED BUDGET SOMEHOW. AND ABSENT INCREASED REVENUES,
- 5 IT PUTS US IN THE BUSINESS OF THEN HAVING TO CHOOSE BETWEEN
- 6 THESE OTHER SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED. WHEN IS IT THAT THE
- 7 BOARD WOULD EXPECT TO HEAR FROM YOU AS TO HOW THAT PROCESS
- 8 MIGHT BEGIN?

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- 10 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: I WOULD PRESUME THAT IT WOULD BE
- 11 DEPENDENT ON WHEN THE BOARD WANTED TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION.
- 12 PRIOR TO GOING INTO THE SUPPLEMENTAL, I BELIEVE WE WILL HAVE
- 13 MORE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT OUTSIDE REVENUE SOURCES. SHOULD THOSE
- 14 NOT COME TO FRUITION, THEN WE CERTAINLY CAN HAVE A MORE ROBUST
- 15 DISCUSSION DURING SUPPLEMENTAL PHASE.

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- 17 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: SO, PUT SOME TIME PARAMETERS AROUND IT,
- 18 MS. HAMAI, BECAUSE I THINK THE BOARD NEEDS TO BE FULLY
- 19 COGNIZANT OF WHAT TIME FRAMES WE ARE WORKING WITHIN, THEN. NOT
- 20 ONLY DOES THE BOARD NEED TO KNOW THAT, BUT THE DEPARTMENT
- 21 HEADS NEED TO KNOW IT. THE PUBLIC NEEDS TO KNOW IT. ADVOCATES
- 22 NEED TO KNOW IT. I MEAN, LAY IT OUT.

- 24 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: SO, NEXT WEEK WE WILL COME BACK WITH THE
- 25 DISCUSSION, AGAIN, ABOUT ONE REVENUE POTENTIAL OPTION. BUT



- 1 THAT CERTAINLY IS NOT DISCUSSION FOR THE BOARD TO DECIDE
- 2 WHETHER THE ITEM ACTUALLY GOES TO THE BALLOT. IT'S ONLY A
- 3 DECISION OF WHETHER WE ARE ASKING SACRAMENTO TO GIVE US LOCAL
- 4 AUTHORITY TO PUT SOMETHING ON THE BALLOT. THE BOARD NEEDS TO
- 5 DECIDE. IF WE DO NOT GO IN THAT DIRECTION THE BOARD DOES NEED
- 6 TO DECIDE BY, I BELIEVE THE DATE IS AUGUST 9TH, WHETHER OR NOT
- 7 TO MOVE FORWARD WITH ANY BALLOT INITIATIVE FOR HOMELESSNESS.
- 8 ABSENT THAT, THEN WE WOULD GO INTO THE SUPPLEMENTAL PHASE AND
- 9 WE WOULD HAVE A DISCUSSION IN TERMS OF CLOSING THE BUDGET AND
- 10 MAKING ALTERNATE DECISIONS ON THE BOARD'S PRIORITIES OF WHAT
- 11 HAS ALREADY BEEN PUT INTO THE PROPOSED BUDGET. AND THAT WOULD
- 12 COME IN THE LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER.

14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: DO YOU HAVE ANY MORE QUESTIONS ON THAT?

16 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: I DO.

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18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YEAH. I KNOW. I'LL RECOGNIZE SHEILA KUEHL,

- 19 BUT I JUST HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS, AS WELL. AND I
- 20 APPRECIATE THE PRESENTATION AND THE FIGURES AND THE DIRECTION
- 21 THAT WE'RE GOING IN. AND I REALIZE THAT, YOU KNOW, JUST NOW,
- 22 IN LOOKING BACK AT THE TIME THAT I STARTED WORKING HERE WITH
- 23 EVERYONE AND REALLY REALIZING THAT WE HAVE A BACKLOG OF
- 24 DEFERRED MAINTENANCE. AND I'M REALLY MINDFUL ABOUT WHAT
- 25 INVESTMENTS WE'RE MAKING IN THAT AREA AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS



- 1 TO PROVIDE UPGRADES TO SOME OF OUR FACILITIES THAT ARE OVER 50
- 2 YEARS OLD. AND I THINK THAT ONE OF THE PRIORITIES -- AND I
- 3 KNOW THIS CAME UP WHEN I FIRST STARTED. ONE WAS JUST WITH
- 4 ANIMAL CONTROL, THE DILAPIDATED FACILITIES OUT IN MY DISTRICT
- 5 IN BALDWIN PARK THAT SERVICES THREE OTHER MEMBERS'
- 6 JURISDICTION AND HOW QUICKLY WE ARE MOVING IN THAT DIRECTION.
- 7 THAT'S JUST ONE. BUT THE OTHER, TO ME, WHICH IS REALLY
- 8 IMPORTANT, IS: BASICALLY WE ARE THE SAFETY NET FOR SERVICES
- 9 REGARDING DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. AND MANY OF
- 10 OUR BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES -- AND I KNOW THIS IS TRUE FOR ME
- 11 IN THE CITY OF POMONA, IN LOS ANGELES, EAST LOS ANGELES, AND
- 12 EVEN AS CLOSE AS DOWNTOWN BY SKID ROW, THE FACILITIES THERE
- 13 ARE DECREPIT. AND I'M INTERESTED IN SEEING HOW WE CAN BEGIN TO
- 14 REALLY PUT EMPHASIS ON UPGRADING OUR FACILITIES AND HOW WE CAN
- 15 ALSO ENHANCE, PERHAPS BY USING OUR ASSETS, TO ALSO PARTNER,
- 16 PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER ENTITIES, BUSINESS DEVELOPERS
- 17 THAT MIGHT WANT TO HELP DO A JOINT VENTURE WITH US SO WE CAN
- 18 UPGRADE THESE FACILITIES BUT ALSO MAKE MAYBE PORTIONS OF
- 19 PARKING OR RETAIL AVAILABLE SO THAT WE'RE REALLY DRAWING DOWN
- 20 MORE SUPPORT AND WE'RE NOT HAVING TO PUT ALL OF OUR HARD
- 21 DOLLARS INTO ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE OF DEFERRED MAINTENANCE.
- 22 AND I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT A LOT OF GOVERNMENTS ARE
- 23 TAKING ON SERIOUSLY AND I WANT TO JUST THROW THAT OUT THERE,
- 24 BECAUSE I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE A LIMITED
- 25 BUDGET, BUT WE HAVE A NEED TO ALSO PROVIDE QUALITY OF SERVICE



- 1 IN THE BUILDINGS THAT REPRESENT US AS A COUNTY. AND TO BE
- 2 QUITE HONEST, SOME OF THEM ARE FRACTURED OR THEY DON'T --
- 3 THEY'RE NOT UP-TO-DATE OR IN MANY CASES, I THINK, IT'S A SAD
- 4 COMMENT FOR SOME OF OUR RESIDENTS TO HAVE TO GO IN, AND EVEN
- 5 OUR STAFF THAT WORK THERE.

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- 7 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THAT'S A HUGE PROBLEM. AND MY QUESTION IS
- 8 SPECIFICALLY IN RELATION TO THE ISSUE OF OUR INVENTORY. WHAT
- 9 IS IS THE STATUS OF THE A.E.C.O.M. REPORT THAT'S SUPPOSED TO
- 10 GIVE US A FULL-ON ASSESSMENT OF WHERE WE ARE WITH RESPECT TO
- 11 OUR REAL-ESTATE INVENTORY? WHERE ARE WE WITH THE A.E.C.O.M.
- 12 REPORT? AND WHEN CAN THE BOARD EXPECT TO SEE EVIDENCE OF
- 13 PROGRESS, EVEN IF IT'S ON AN ITERATIVE BASIS? THERE'S A
- 14 DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS IN THIS COUNTY OF
- 15 DEFERRED MAINTENANCE. I KNOW IT INTUITIVELY AND ANECDOTALLY,
- 16 AND I WANT TO KNOW WHERE THE A.E.C.O.M. REPORT IS THAT WE'VE
- 17 BEEN WAITING TO GET SO WE CAN LOOK AT THE LIBRARIES, THE
- 18 HEALTH MAINTENANCE FACILITIES, THE PARKS, WHATEVER THERE MAY
- 19 BE TO UNDERSTAND. WE OUGHT TO HAVE AN UP-TO-DATE INVENTORY,
- 20 ELECTRONICALLY ACCESSIBLE. I'M NOT OF THE IMPRESSION THAT WE
- 21 HAVE THAT. AND SO, THE TECHNOLOGICAL INFRASTRUCTURE TO WHICH
- 22 YOU MAKE REFERENCE IN TERMS OF UPGRADE, IF IT ISN'T UPGRADING
- 23 THAT, I WONDER WHAT IT'S DOING. WHERE IS THAT A.E.C.O.M.
- 24 REPORT?



1 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: OKAY, SO, SUPERVISOR, IF I CAN ANSWER.

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- 3 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: I HAVE A QUESTION. WHERE IS THE A.E.C.O.M.
- 4 REPORT?

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- 6 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: SO, YOUR BOARD HAD ASKED FOR AN
- 7 A.E.C.O.M. REPORT, AND I BELIEVE WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING
- 8 QUARTERLY REPORTS AND PROVIDING QUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS. THE
- 9 FINAL REPORTS, I BELIEVE, IS DUE WITHIN THE NEXT SIX TO NINE
- 10 MONTHS OR SO, I AM TOLD. BUT THAT WOULD BE THE FULL
- 11 COMPREHENSIVE REPORT, EXCLUDING SHERIFF AND HEALTH. BUT WE
- 12 WILL --

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14 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: EXCLUDING SHERIFF AND HEALTH?

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- 16 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: YES. WE ARE ADDING THOSE COMPONENTS IN
- 17 AFTER THEY GET THE FIRST LIST OF ALL OF THE OTHER REMAINING
- 18 DEPARTMENTS.

- 20 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: WELL, THE HEALTH AGENCIES CONSTITUTE A
- 21 PRETTY SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER, I MEAN, A RATHER SUBSTANTIAL PIECE
- 22 OF THE INVENTORY OF THE COUNTY AND, IT SEEMS, BUILDINGS AND SO
- 23 FORTH. MR. JONES, YOU CAN TALK WITH US. IT'S ALL RIGHT. COME
- 24 ON OVER HERE, MR. JONES. THIS PROJECT STARTED ON YOUR WATCH.
- 25 I.S.D. IN THE HOUSE. BRING THEM IN HERE. WE WANT TO KNOW.



1 2 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: WHERE'S THE A.E.C.O.M. REPORT? 3 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: YEAH, WHERE'S THE A.E.C.O.M. REPORT, MR. 4 5 JONES? 6 7 JIM JONES: SUPERVISOR, JIM JONES FROM THE C.E.O. THE ORIGINAL 8 SCOPE OF WORK ON THE A.E.C.O.M. REPORT DID EXCLUDE THE SHERIFF AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THERE IS AN R.F.P. THAT'S GOING OUT. AND THAT SOLICITATION WILL BE DONE IN THE NEXT SEVERAL 10 11 MONTHS. SO THAT WILL BE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE EXISTING A.E.C.O.M. ASSIGNMENT. 12 13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: BUT I DIDN'T GET MY --14 15 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: YOU DIDN'T, AND I WANTED TO GO BACK AND 16 RESPOND TO YOU. 17 18 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: PLEASE. 20 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: WE HAVE CLOSE TO \$200 MILLION THAT IS 21 22 ALSO SET ASIDE IN EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE FOR -- TO HELP OUR 23 FACILITIES. AND EVERY YEAR WE ARE PUTTING ADDITIONAL FUNDS, ONGOING FUNDS ASIDE SO THAT WE COULD UPGRADE OUR ASSET 24 MANAGEMENT. DAVE HOWARD HAS BEEN RECENTLY APPOINTED IN OUR 25



- 1 OFFICE, AND WE ARE REALLY TRYING TO CHANGE THE WAY THAT WE DO
- 2 BUSINESS IN TERMS OF LOOKING AT COMPREHENSIVELY ALL OF OUR
- 3 FACILITIES. SO I THINK WE'RE IN LOCK STEP WITH THIS BOARD IN
- 4 LOOKING AT THE DIRECTION. ALTHOUGH SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
- 5 WE WILL GET YOU YOUR FINAL A.E.C.O.M. REPORT, BUT WE ARE IN
- 6 LOCK STEP, I BELIEVE, MOVING FORWARD AND TRYING TO LOOK AT OUR
- 7 FACILITIES AND HOW WE MAINTAIN AND UPGRADE THE FACILITIES. I
- 8 DON'T KNOW, DAVE, IF YOU'D LIKE TO ADD A FEW WORDS.

- 10 DAVE HOWARD: SUPERVISOR, SEVERAL THINGS. WE'VE ACTUALLY WORKED
- 11 WITH A.E.C.O.M. AND WE'VE SHORTENED THEIR CONTRACT DURATION BY
- 12 SIX MONTHS. SO THE ORIGINAL SCOPE THAT WAS CONTRACTED FOR
- 13 SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY JUNE OF NEXT YEAR, SIX MONTHS EARLY. AS
- 14 JIM HAD SAID ALSO, WE'LL BE GOING OUT BY THE END OF JUNE OF
- 15 THIS YEAR WITH AN R.F.P. TO BRING ON A VENDOR TO ASSESS THE
- 16 HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND SHERIFF FACILITIES THAT WERE ORIGINALLY
- 17 SET ASIDE. WE'RE ALREADY TAKING THE DATA AS A.E.C.O.M. IS
- 18 COMPLETING ASSESSMENT OF THE BUILDINGS, AND THAT IS FEEDING
- 19 INTO THE ONGOING DEFERRED MAINTENANCE EFFORTS. SO WE'RE
- 20 GETTING BENEFIT FROM THEIR WORK PRODUCT WITHOUT WAITING FOR
- 21 THE COMPLETION OF THAT STUDY. IN THE ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN,
- 22 ONE OF THE TENETS IS TO WORK WITH I.S.D. AND THE DEPARTMENTS
- 23 TO DO A BETTER JOB OF TAKING CARE OF THE BUILDINGS THAT WE
- 24 HAVE IN TERMS OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE SO THAT WE'RE NOT FALLING
- 25 BEHIND. AND THEN WE WILL BE WORKING THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS



- 1 WITH THE BOARD TO TRY TO ALLOCATE MORE MONEY TO CATCH UP WHERE
- 2 THE BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN DETERIORATING. AND THEN, TO ADDRESS
- 3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S COMMENT, WE'RE LOOKING AT ALL DIFFERENT
- 4 OPTIONS, INCLUDING REVENUE GENERATION THROUGH VARIOUS LEASES,
- 5 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, A VARIETY OF THINGS, TO ADDRESS
- 6 HOW WE CAN USE THE ASSETS MORE STRATEGICALLY TO GENERATE
- 7 REVENUE.

- 9 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AND I THINK THERE IS AN URGENCY HERE. JUST
- 10 LAST LAST WEEKEND, SATURDAY I WAS AT EASTLAKE, OUR JUVENILE
- 11 HALL. AND IT'S JUST A REMINDER THAT HERE WE ARE CONTINUING TO
- 12 CIRCLE YOUNGSTERS THAT ARE THERE AND OUR STAFF. AND THE
- 13 SITUATION HAS NOT IMPROVED DRAMATICALLY THERE IN TERMS OF ANY
- 14 FACILITIES UPGRADES IN ANY WAY. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT
- 15 THAT, BECAUSE AS LONG AS WE DETAIN YOUNG PEOPLE THERE IN THE
- 16 CONDITIONS THAT I SEE, THAT I SAW, I THINK THERE IS A REASON
- 17 FOR US TO MOVE QUICKER AND TO UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT RISKS
- 18 WE'RE PUTTING OURSELVES AT WHEN WE DON'T MAINTAIN GOOD
- 19 MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS, WHETHER IT'S HOT RUNNING WATER OR
- 20 MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE ADEQUATE EQUIPMENT THAT FUNCTIONS,
- 21 SAFETY GUARDS, THINGS LIKE THAT. I DON'T MEAN PEOPLE, BUT I
- 22 JUST MEAN WHAT THAT ALL ENTAILS. IN PARTICULAR, AT SOME OF
- 23 THESE PLACES WHERE WE MENTIONED WE'LL BE LOOKING AT JAILS,
- 24 PROBATION CAMPS, ESPECIALLY THAT ONE THAT KIND OF IS THE
- 25 HEADQUARTERS OF WHERE WE ACTUALLY SEND PEOPLE OUT FROM, IS IN,



- 1 I THINK, REALLY DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS AND WOULD LOVE TO SEE
- 2 SOMETHING HAPPEN QUICKLY THERE. AND MAYBE PERHAPS THAT'S A
- 3 CONVERSATION WE NEED TO HAVE ABOUT HOW WE UTILIZE THAT
- 4 PARTICULAR PIECE OF PROPERTY, AND MAYBE IT'S TIME TO THINK
- 5 ABOUT CONSTRUCTING SOMETHING NEW OR SOMETHING IN LIEU OF THAT
- 6 BUT PLACING WITH IT SOMETHING ELSE. BECAUSE I THINK THAT SENDS
- 7 A MESSAGE THAT THE COUNTY REALLY DOES CARE ABOUT NOT ONLY THE
- 8 PEOPLE THAT WE SERVE BUT HOW WE'RE USING OUR ASSETS AND OUR
- 9 RESOURCES. YES, SHEILA KUEHL, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

- 11 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: SHEILA KUEHL HERE. YES, RESIDENT OF THE
- 12 THIRD DISTRICT. [LAUGHTER.] FIRST OF ALL, C.E.O. HAMAI, I WANT
- 13 TO GIVE YOU SOME WELL-DESERVED PRAISE ON THIS BUDGET. AS I
- 14 INDICATED WHEN YOU PRESENTED TO US LAST TIME, THERE WAS A LOT
- 15 OF SPECULATION ABOUT HOW PUTTING THE MONEY THAT WE ARE PUTTING
- 16 INTO -- IN THE '15/'16 BUDGET INTO BOARD PRIORITIES WAS
- 17 ALLEGEDLY GOING TO BREAK THE BANK, AND IT DIDN'T, BECAUSE
- 18 JUDICIOUSLY, AS YOU PUT MONEY INTO EACH OF THE BOARD'S
- 19 PRIORITIES, THINGS IMPROVE. AND I THINK FOR PROBABLY FOR THE
- 20 FIVE OF US, NOT FAST ENOUGH, BUT THAT'S BECAUSE \$28 BILLION IS
- 21 INSUFFICIENT. IT JUST IS. SO I WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK THE
- 22 WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE IN PULLING THIS TOGETHER, IN RESETTING
- 23 YOUR TEAM IS SHOWING. AND I'LL JUST SPEAK FOR MYSELF. I'M VERY
- 24 GRATEFUL FOR IT AND FOR THE VERY PROFESSIONAL WORK THAT'S
- 25 BEING DONE, BECAUSE LOOKING AT THESE FUTURE BUDGET ISSUES,



- 1 WHICH REALLY REFLECT THE BOARD'S PRIORITIES, I WOULD SAY
- 2 SLIGHT DISAGREEMENT, BUT MAYBE NOT, WITH MY COLLEAGUE ABOUT
- 3 HOMELESSNESS FUNDING AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDING. HE SAYS,
- 4 QUITE CORRECTLY, IN MY OPINION, THEY'RE CONNECTED. BUT I WANT
- 5 TO CONTINUE TO PUSH TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THESE ARE SEPARATE
- 6 AND LOOKED AT SEPARATELY, BECAUSE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS NOT
- 7 JUST FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE. IT'S A WAY TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS.
- 8 NOW, IN THAT SENSE, AND I KNOW THAT THAT'S WHAT WE ALL MEAN,
- 9 IN THAT SENSE, IT IS A PART OF THE 47 STRATEGIES, NO QUESTION,
- 10 JUST AS HELPING WITH JOBS AND INCOME INCREASE, WHICH ISN'T
- 11 INTUITIVELY A PART OF DEALING WITH HOMELESSNESS. MY QUESTION
- 12 ABOUT THE 450 MILLION ANNUALLY TO CLOSE THE HOMELESS GAP,
- 13 WHICH YOU INDICATE ON PAGE 9, IT SAYS "NOT INCLUDING
- 14 CONSTRUCTION COSTS." DO I ASSUME IT ALSO DOESN'T INCLUDE THE
- 15 KINDS OF SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE UPWARD OF A BILLION DOLLARS
- 16 IN MENTAL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION TREATMENT?
- 18 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: CORRECT.
- 20 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: OR IT DOES.
- 22 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: THE \$1 BILLION IS SEPARATE AND APART, AND
- 23 THAT IS ALREADY IN OUR BUDGET.

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- 1 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: SO THE \$450 MILLION, WHICH DOES NOT INCLUDE
- 2 CONSTRUCTION COSTS, WHAT NEEDS DOES THAT REFLECT IN TERMS OF
- 3 THE BUDGET IN ONGOING FUNDING?

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- 5 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: I BELIEVE PHIL ANSELL, AND HE'S NOT HERE
- 6 THIS MORNING, HAD ALSO ANSWERED THAT YESTERDAY. BUT IT
- 7 INCLUDES SERVICES FOR LIKE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. IT INCLUDES
- 8 SOME OF THE VOUCHERS FOR HOUSING, THE VETERANS' VOUCHERS,
- 9 ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE FAMILIES. SO IT'S NOT JUST ONE
- 10 POCKET OF MONEY, BUT IT CROSSES A NUMBER OF AREAS THAT WE HAVE
- 11 IN OUR STRATEGIES.

- 13 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I'M ALSO VERY INTERESTED IN THE ISSUE OF
- 14 OUR STORM WATER CLEANUP AND HAPPY TO SEE THAT WE ARE ALSO
- 15 WORKING ON HOW WE WILL BE ABLE TO FUND THAT, BECAUSE WE ALSO
- 16 HAVE TO HELP OUR 88 CITIES PAY THEIR SHARE. AND I DON'T MEAN
- 17 NECESSARILY HELP WITH COUNTY MONEY BUT HELP THEM FIGURE OUT
- 18 HOW THEY CAN BRING IN SUFFICIENT MONEY, BECAUSE SO MUCH OF
- 19 THIS IS CONNECTED. WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT DEFERRED MAINTENANCE,
- 20 IN THE THIRD DISTRICT, WE SOMEHOW DID NOT NOTICE A LEAK IN ONE
- 21 OF THE D.M.H. BUILDINGS, WHICH LED TO MOLD, WHICH LED TO
- 22 HAVING TO EVACUATE THE BUILDING AND FIND NEW PLACES FOR PEOPLE
- 23 TO WORK, WHICH IS KIND OF, YOU KNOW, FOR LOSS OF A NAIL, THE
- 24 SHOE WAS LOST, AND THEN THE KINGDOM IS LOST. AND THE KINGDOM
- 25 IS A LOT MORE EXPENSIVE THAN IF WE SOMEHOW NOTICE THESE THINGS



- I IN ADVANCE. SO I'M CERTAIN WHETHER THERE'S A WAY TO
- 2 INCORPORATE A KIND OF EARLY WARNING SYSTEM ABOUT OUR
- 3 BUILDINGS. WE PAY SO MUCH ATTENTION TO THAT WHICH HAS ALREADY
- 4 HAPPENED. HOMELESS PEOPLE ON THE STREET, AND NOW WE'RE TRYING
- 5 TO LOOK AT KEEPING PEOPLE FROM BEING HOMELESS. I FEEL THE SAME
- 6 WAY ABOUT DEFERRED MAINTENANCE. IT'S SUCH A HUGE NUT THAT WE
- 7 KEEP THINKING, "I HAVE TO FIX THIS AND FIX THIS," AND WE DON'T
- 8 HAVE REALLY, IN MY OPINION, BUT I COULD BE WRONG, AN EARLY -
- 9 WARNING SYSTEM ABOUT THESE THINGS AND WHETHER THERE'S A WAY TO
- 10 SAVE A LOT OF MONEY BY, ALMOST LIKE YOU DO YOUR RED STRIKE
- 11 TEAMS OR WHATEVER YOU CALL, YOU KNOW, GO IN, FIX IT, AND SAVE
- 12 US A LOT OF MONEY.

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- 14 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: WHAT IS THAT A.E.C.O.M. REPORT SUPPOSED TO
- 15 DO?

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- 17 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: AND I DON'T DISAGREE WITH YOU,
- 18 SUPERVISOR.

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20 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: NO, SERIOUSLY.

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- 22 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: EXCUSE ME. I DON'T WANT MY QUESTION
- 23 HIJACKED. [LAUGHTER.]

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25 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: LET ME JUST ANSWER.



1 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: I'M GOING TO HIJACK IT WHEN I WANT TO. 2 3 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: LET'S HAVE SOME ORDER HERE. OKAY, SACHI, 4 5 YOU'RE ON. 6 7 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: IT'S NOT HIJACKING. IT'S A LITTLE BIT OF 8 HIGH JINX. I THINK DESPITE -- YOU MUST KNOW WE ALL SLEPT HERE LAST NIGHT, BECAUSE WE WERE HERE ALL DAY, AND THEN, YOU KNOW. 9 SO. 10 11 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: RIGHT. AND I FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN WITH 12 13 YOU, TOO. SO. [LAUGHTER.] 14 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: BUT IN RESPONSE TO THAT, I THINK THAT 15 16 OVER TIME, AND, YOU KNOW, FOR SEVERAL YEARS, PERHAPS THE EMPHASIS BY THE COUNTY WAS NOT SO MUCH ON PREVENTATIVE 17 18 MAINTENANCE AND DEFINITELY NOT A LOT HAS GONE INTO DEFERRED 19 MAINTENANCE AND EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE FOR OUR FACILITIES. AND THE PLANNING PROCESS, I WILL SAY, I'VE BEEN IN THE COUNTY 20 21 FOR QUITE SOME TIME, IN LOOKING AT WHAT WE DO WITH OUR 22 INFRASTRUCTURE HAS BEEN, TO ME, A BIT REMISS. AND I THINK 23 THAT'S WHERE WE ARE TODAY IN TRYING TO CORRECT IT. SO WE DO HAVE FUNDING SET ASIDE. WE ARE TRYING TO PUT MORE EMPHASIS ON 24 WHAT YOU CALL "THE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM" OR MORE WHAT WE WOULD 25



- 1 CALL PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE AND HOPEFULLY COULD CATCH THAT
- 2 LEAK IN THE WALL OR WHATEVER MAY BE CAUSING OR WHAT WOULD BE
- 3 THE ROOT CAUSE TO A FACILITY ACTUALLY BECOMING SO --

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- 5 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I THINK I WANT TO EMPHASIZE PREVENTION IN
- 6 ALL OF THESE CATEGORIES, IF POSSIBLE. THAT'S GENERALLY LESS
- 7 EXPENSIVE, BUT WE ARE SO BUSY TRYING TO STEM THE BLEEDING THAT
- 8 WE, YOU KNOW, DIDN'T BUY THE BAND-AIDS. SO..

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10 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: ABSOLUTELY.

- 12 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: ..THAT'S KIND OF A GOOD IMAGE, ISN'T IT? I
- 13 ONLY HAVE ONE THING, MORE THING TO ASK, AND IT'S, IF I MAY,
- 14 MADAME CHAIR, IT REALLY RELATES TO PULLING DOWN FEDERAL AND
- 15 STATE FUNDING. I THINK THIS HAS SOMEWHAT ALWAYS BEEN THE BANE
- 16 OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, TO KEEP UP-TO-DATE SUFFICIENTLY, TO MAKE
- 17 CERTAIN THAT WE APPLY FOR EVERY POSSIBLE DOLLAR THAT WE CAN
- 18 GET. AND I THINK WE LEAVE IT A LOT TO OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS,
- 19 SORT OF, YOU KNOW, RANDOMLY, YOU KNOW, DOES SKYE KNOW THAT SHE
- 20 CAN GET A MILLION DOLLARS FOR NEW BOOKS? OR IS IT OUR JOB -- I
- 21 JUST PICKED HER OUT BECAUSE SHE JUST WALKED BY, BUT TO, YOU
- 22 KNOW, OR IS IT OUR JOB PARTLY TO HELP IDENTIFY THAT? DO WE
- 23 HAVE A UNIT, A CENTRAL UNIT, THAT IS SORT OF CONSTANTLY
- 24 COMBING OUR FEDERAL BUDGET AND STATE BUDGET FOR, YOU KNOW, A



- 1 BILLION DOLLARS HERE, A BILLION DOLLARS THERE? PRETTY SOON
- 2 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT REAL MONEY, SOMEBODY ONCE SAID.

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4 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: SO, TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION..

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6 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: MR. JONES?

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- 8 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: WE DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE AN ACTUAL FORMAL
- 9 DEPARTMENT OR UNIT. BUT WE HAVE STARTED A PILOT WITHIN THE
- 10 C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND IT'S REALLY WITHIN OUR UNINCORPORATED
- 11 GROUP THAT WE'VE STARTED THE PILOT TO LOOK AT ADDITIONAL
- 12 GRANTS, BOTH FEDERAL AND AT THE STATE LEVEL.

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- 14 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: WELL, MAYBE WE'LL LOOK AT THAT OVER THE
- 15 NEXT YEAR, BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, WE'RE NOT THE ONLY GOVERNMENT
- 16 THAT SORT OF HAS THIS ISSUE. THE STATE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT IT
- 17 CAN GET FROM THE FEDS ALWAYS. AND WHEN WE LEAVE IT IN SO MANY
- 18 SORT OF SPLINTERED AREAS -- AND I DO UNDERSTAND DEPARTMENT
- 19 HEADS OFTEN KNOW MORE AND HAVE THEIR OWN STAFF ABOUT IT, BUT,
- 20 I DON'T KNOW, IT COULD BE A MONTHLY MEETING OF ALL THE PEOPLE
- 21 THAT DO THAT IN THE DEPARTMENTS. I DON'T WANT TO INVENT THE
- 22 ANSWER. BUT I DO THINK THAT THAT IS ONE OF THOSE REVENUE
- 23 SOURCES THAT WE OFTEN DON'T THINK OF IN GENERAL AND IN GROSS.
- 24 SO I WOULD SUGGEST IT. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.



- 1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ANY COMMENTS?
- 2 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S NOT HERE. I JUST WANT TO ADD --

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4 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: IF I MAY?

- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I JUST WANT TO ADD ONE MORE COMMENT. I
- 7 THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THE POINT THAT WE BE MORE AGGRESSIVE
- 8 AND NOT LEAVE MONEY ON THE TABLE, SO TO SPEAK. AND THAT MEANS
- 9 THAT WE HAVE TO REALLY DRAW DOWN AS MUCH SUPPORT AS WE CAN
- 10 FROM THE STATE GOVERNMENT. SOMETIMES WE DON'T KNOW OURSELVES
- 11 THAT THE STATE IS GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE SOME OF
- 12 THESE PRIORITY AREAS, ONE OF WHICH IS VETERANS HOMELESS
- 13 INDIVIDUALS. IN MY UNDERSTANDING, MEETING WITH CALVETS, THE
- 14 STATE PROGRAM, THAT THERE ARE SOME ISSUES THAT WE'RE GOING TO
- 15 HAVE TO WORK OUT, BECAUSE APPARENTLY L.A. COUNTY IS LEAVING A
- 16 LOT OF MONEY OUT ON THE TABLE AND OTHER COUNTIES ARE TAKING IT
- 17 OVER AND WE HAVE THE LARGEST CONCENTRATION. SO I THINK THAT'S
- 18 GOING TO REOUIRE US TO REALLY FOCUS IN ON HOW WE REALLY
- 19 UPGRADE OUR PROGRAMMING, PARTICULAR STAFF, SO THAT WE CAN DRAW
- 20 DOWN THE EXPERTISE AND THE FUNDING THAT'S NECESSARY SO WE
- 21 CANNOT JUST ALWAYS HAVE TO COUNT ON OUR OWN DIME BUT REALLY
- 22 LOOK AT WHAT THE STATE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DO. AND I WORRY,
- 23 BECAUSE IF WE DON'T USE IT, THEN THE STATE WILL SAY, "WELL,
- 24 YOU KNOW WHAT? TOO BAD, GUYS. WE'RE TAKING IT AWAY." I MEAN,
- 25 YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET ANY MORE WHEN WE KNOW THE NEED IS SO



- 1 GREAT. AND THAT'S KIND OF A GENERAL STATEMENT, BUT I WOUDL
- 2 JUST SAY THAT THAT'S COME TO MY ATTENTION, AND I THINK WE NEED
- 3 TO BE FOCUSED ON IT. I'M WILLING TO HELP TO DO WHATEVER I CAN
- 4 TO SEE THAT HAPPEN. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

- 6 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: I WAS NOT MERELY SEEKING TO BE FACETIOUS,
- 7 NOR WAS I SEEKING TO HIJACK OR HIGH JINX OR LOWBALL ANYONE
- 8 ABOUT THIS ISSUE THAT IS NOT A NEW ISSUE. IT IS AN ISSUE THAT
- 9 IS PERSISTENT THAT HAS BEEN RAISED WITH SOME REGULARITY ABOUT
- 10 DEFERRED MAINTENANCE. THAT'S WHY IT'S IN THE BUDGET DISCUSSION
- 11 HERE. ONE OF THE WAYS WE CHOSE TO ADDRESS THAT IS TO GET A
- 12 HANDLE ON THE REAL-ESTATE INVENTORY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 13 ANGELES. THAT CONVERSATION GOES BACK AT LEAST THREE YEARS. AND
- 14 THE DISCUSSION ABOUT A.E.C.O.M., WHICH ENDED UP BEING THE
- 15 VENDOR THAT WAS CHOSEN TO DO THAT, WAS SUPPOSED TO AFFORD US
- 16 WITH A COMPREHENSIVE LOOK OF WHAT OUR ASSETS ARE AND HOW WE
- 17 WOULD KEEP TRACK OF HOW WE WOULD THEN CORRECT ANY
- 18 DEFICIENCIES, RAZE THOSE BUILDINGS THAT WERE NOT COST-
- 19 EFFECTIVE TO MAINTAIN ANY LONGER -- AND CANDIDATE 1 OR EXHIBIT
- 20 1 OR EXHIBIT A ON THAT FRONT WOULD BE THE HALL OF
- 21 ADMINISTRATION, THANK YOU VERY MUCH -- AND THEN MOVE FROM
- 22 THERE TO A RATIONAL WAY OF DISPOSING OF IT. IT MIGHT BE USEFUL
- 23 TO CAUSE THIS BOARD TO HAVE AN APPRECIATION FOR WHAT THE SCOPE
- 24 OF THAT REPORT REALLY IS SO THAT WE HAVE A BETTER
- 25 UNDERSTANDING OF THE EARLIER WARNING SYSTEMS, WHAT THE NUT IS



- 1 IN TERMS OF DEFERRED MAINTENANCE, WHAT THE DISPROPORTIONATE
- 2 DISTRIBUTIONS ARE IN TERMS OF HEALTH, PROBATION, NAME THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE MENTAL HEALTH
- 4 DEPARTMENT, LIBRARIES, WHAT ALL THAT LOOKS LIKE AND WHAT
- 5 DEPARTMENTS ARE PERFORMING EFFECTIVELY IN TERMS OF GETTING
- 6 THEIR FACILITIES IN SHAPE. THIS IS NOT A NEW ISSUE. AT ALL.
- 7 BUT IT IS AN ONGOING ISSUE THAT WE NEED TO COME TO GRIPS WITH.
- 8 AND I THINK WE HAVE A METHOD OF DOING SO. I DON'T KNOW THAT IT
- 9 IS ON TIME IN TERMS OF GETTING BACK TO US. WHEN YOU COME BACK
- 10 TO US, MADAME C.E.O., IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT WE OUGHT TO
- 11 KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY WE'VE ALREADY SPENT WITH THE VENDOR AND
- 12 HOW PRODUCTIVE THEY HAVE OR HAVE NOT BEEN IN TERMS OF GETTING
- 13 US WHAT WE NEED AND HOW RESPONSIVE WE HAVE BEEN TO THOSE
- 14 RECOMMENDATIONS THEY MAY HAVE MADE.

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- 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. IF THERE'S NO OTHER FURTHER
- 17 QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD AT THIS TIME, THEN WE WILL GO AHEAD
- 18 AND CALL UP OUR LIST OF SPEAKERS REPRESENTING DEPARTMENTS, AND
- 19 THESE INDIVIDUALS WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES. I HAVE
- 20 ANGELA FLEMING. ACTUALLY, JEFFREY PRANG. I'M SORRY, JEFFREY.
- 21 YES, I SAW HER. ASSESSOR, COUNTY ASSESSOR, COREY CALAYCAY, AND
- 22 HERBERT HATANAKA. I HOPE I DIDN'T MASSACRE YOUR NAMES. MR.
- 23 PRANG, WELCOME.



- 1 JEFF PRANG: GOOD MORNING, CHAIRPERSON SOLIS AND HONORABLE
- 2 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS
- 3 YOUR BOARD THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS MY 2016 BUDGET REQUEST.
- 4 WHILE UNMET NEEDS REQUESTS TOTAL MORE THAN \$7.4 MILLION FOR
- 5 VARIOUS ITEMS, SUCH AS IMPROVING WORK AREAS AND SECURING
- 6 CONSULTANT SERVICES TO ASSIST WITH OUR MORE COMPLICATED
- 7 VALUATIONS, I'D LIKE TO FOCUS YOUR ATTENTION ON THOSE ITEMS
- 8 THAT MORE IMPORTANTLY IMPACT ASSESSOR OPERATIONS. THE BUDGET
- 9 PROPOSAL BEFORE YOU REPRESENTS MY BEST EFFORT TO RIGHT-SIZE MY
- 10 OFFICE AND TO ENSURE MORE EFFICIENT PRODUCTIVITY AND SERVICE
- 11 TO THE PUBLIC. IMPORTANTLY, IT ALSO SUPPORTS YOUR BOARD AND
- 12 YOUR STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BY MAXIMIZING OUR COMPLETION OF THE
- 13 ASSESSMENT ROLL AND THE REVENUE THAT IS A BY-PRODUCT OF THE
- 14 TAX ROLL. I AM REQUESTING FUNDING FOR 36 POSITIONS THAT ARE
- 15 ALREADY AUTHORIZED IN ORDINANCE. THESE POSITIONS ARE VITAL TO
- 16 CORRECTING A NUMBER OF STRUCTURAL DEFICIENCIES THAT COMPROMISE
- 17 MY OFFICE'S ABILITY TO COMPLETE ITS WORK THOROUGHLY AND IN A
- 18 TIMELY MANNER, THEREBY HAVING A DIRECT IMPACT ON COUNTY
- 19 REVENUES AND THE RESIDENTS THAT WE SERVE. THERE ARE THREE
- 20 MAJOR IMPEDIMENTS TO THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF MY DEPARTMENT.
- 21 THE FIRST IS THE ONGOING RELIANCE ON OVERTIME NECESSARY TO
- 22 CLOSE THE ASSESSMENT ROLL, SECONDLY IS THE PERSISTENT
- 23 PRODUCTION BACKLOGS, AND FINALLY, INEFFICIENCIES IN PROCESSING
- 24 OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS CASES THAT ARE A BURDEN TO TAXPAYERS.
- 25 THESE THREE ISSUES HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON MY OFFICE



- 1 PRODUCTIVITY AND THEREBY THE ACCOMPANYING REVENUES. FOR A VERY
- 2 LONG TIME PRECEDING MY ASSUMPTION OF THIS OFFICE, THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT HAS RELIED ON OVERTIME TO COMPLETE THE ANNUAL
- 4 ASSESSMENT ROLL. TYPICALLY WE SPEND OVER 43,000 PERSONNEL
- 5 HOURS, EXCEEDING \$2.6 MILLION ANNUALLY, TO CLOSE THE
- 6 ASSESSMENT ROLL. THIS YEAR WE'RE PROJECTING TO EXCEED OUR
- 7 OVERTIME BUDGET BY NEARLY \$750,000 TO A TOTAL OF \$3.4 MILLION.
- 8 THE TRUTH IS THAT EVEN WITH OVERTIME, WE DO NOT COMPLETELY
- 9 CLOSE THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; WE SIMPLY CARRY OVER UNCOMPLETED
- 10 WORK TO THE FOLLOWING ASSESSMENT YEAR. FOR INSTANCE, THIS YEAR
- 11 WE WILL CARRY OVER NEARLY 30,000 NEW CONSTRUCTION PERMITS,
- 12 ESTIMATED AT OVER \$1.86 BILLION IN ASSESSED VALUE, UNTIL
- 13 SPRING OF 2017 BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE SUFFICIENT STAFFING TO
- 14 COMPLETE THEM BY THE END OF THIS ASSESSMENT YEAR, EVEN WITH
- 15 THE USE OF OVERTIME. AS YOU KNOW, WITH PROPERTY TAXES AT 1
- 16 PERCENT OF ASSESSED VALUE, \$1.86 BILLION IN ASSESSED VALUE
- 17 EQUATES TO \$18.6 MILLION IN PROPERTY TAXES FOR ALL LOCAL
- 18 GOVERNMENT ENTITIES, INCLUDING SCHOOLS, WITH THE COUNTY'S
- 19 SHARE AT 29 PERCENT EQUATING TO \$5.4 MILLION IN ADDITIONAL TAX
- 20 REVENUES. BY ELIMINATING OUR RELIANCE ON OVERTIME AND
- 21 PROCESSING PERMITS IN THE YEAR THAT THEY WERE FILED, THOSE
- 22 PROPERTY TAX REVENUES WILL BE REALIZED IN THE CURRENT BUDGET
- 23 YEAR, WHICH PROVIDES YOUR BOARD WITH THE OPTION OF PROGRAMMING
- 24 SUCH FUNDS IN THE CURRENT BUDGET YEAR. THE FINAL FISCAL
- 25 CHALLENGE DEALS WITH ASSESSMENT APPEALS. THERE ARE CURRENTLY



- 1 MORE THAN 35,000 APPEALS CASES READY TO BE RESOLVED. MY STAFF
- 2 ESTIMATES THAT WE SPEND IN EXCESS OF \$2 MILLION ANNUALLY IN
- 3 PREPARING ASSESSMENT APPEALS CASES FOR TAXPAYERS THAT FAIL TO
- 4 SHOW UP AT THEIR SCHEDULED HEARINGS AND FOR LATE REQUESTS FOR
- 5 CONTINUANCES. BOTH INSTANCES REQUIRE MY STAFF TO FULLY PREPARE
- 6 APPEALS CASES AMOUNTING TO HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF LOST PERSONNEL
- 7 TIME THAT COULD OTHERWISE BE DIRECTED TOWARD OTHER PRODUCTION
- 8 ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE VALUE OF
- 9 THE ASSESSMENT ROLL. IF SUPPORTED BY YOUR BOARD, MY OFFICE
- 10 WILL BE ABLE TO ELIMINATE STRUCTURAL BACKLOGS AND
- 11 SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE OVERTIME WITHIN 2 TO 3 YEARS. WE ESTIMATE
- 12 THAT \$4 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR THE REQUESTED APPRAISER
- 13 POSITIONS, WE CAN GENERATE AMPLE ASSESSMENT ROLL VALUE THAT
- 14 TRANSLATES INTO ABOUT \$18.6 MILLION FOR ALL LOCAL
- 15 JURISDICTIONS WITH THE COUNTY RECEIVING \$5.4 MILLION IN
- 16 REVENUE. CHAIRPERSON SOLIS, YOU HAD INDICATED THAT IT'S YOUR
- 17 GOAL TO LEAVE NO MONEY ON THE TABLE. THAT IS MY GOAL, AS WELL.
- 18 AND I BELIEVE THAT THIS BUDGET REQUEST WILL HELP ENSURE THAT
- 19 WE ARE AS THOROUGH AND AS COMPLETE AS POSSIBLE IN COMPLETING
- 20 THE ASSESSMENT ROLL TO ENSURE THAT MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX
- 21 REVENUES ARE COLLECTED BY THE COUNTY.
- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I DO HAVE A QUESTION. I KNOW
- 24 THAT YOU'RE ASKING FOR 36 POSITIONS.

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JEFF PRANG: THAT'S CORRECT. 1 2 3 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WHAT IF YOU ONLY GET MAYBE FIVE OR TEN? [LAUGHTER.] 4 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THEN WHAT? 6 7 8 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: MADAME CHAIR, CAN I MAKE A COMMENT HERE? 9 AND, YOU KNOW, WE WOULD CERTAINLY BE HAPPY TO WORK WITH THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE AS WE GET CLOSER TO SUPPLEMENTAL AND, AGAIN, 10 11 TRY AND WORK THROUGH THE ASSESSOR'S NEEDS, HIS 36 POSITIONS. BUT I DO WANT TO MAKE NOTE THAT THERE IS ABOUT 161 VACANT 12 POSITIONS CURRENTLY IN THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. SO, I THINK IN 13 TERMS OF LOOKING AT JUST THE --14 15 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: HOW DOES THAT EQUATE, THOUGH? 17 18 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: JUST THE -- IN TERMS OF HIS VACANT ITEMS, 19 THERE'S ABOUT 61 IN THE APPRAISER AREA. SO I THINK BEFORE WE ACTUALLY TRY AND ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL POSITIONS THAT WE WANT TO 20 SEE SOME OF THE VACANCIES FILLED AND SEE HOW FAR THAT WOULD 21 22 ASSIST HIM. THE OTHER THING IS I KNOW HE'S TALKING ABOUT HIS 23 OVERTIME BUDGET, AND WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO WORK WITH HIM ON

TRYING TO REDUCE THE OVERTIME BUDGET WITH THE BACKLOG-- I



- 1 MEAN, WITH THE VACANCIES OF HIS OTHER 100 POSITIONS, WHICH ARE
- 2 MORE IN THE CLERICAL SERIES.

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO, CAN YOU EXPLAIN, MR. PRANG, THE ISSUE
- 5 OF THESE VACANCIES?

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- 7 JEFF PRANG: WE ARE AGGRESSIVELY HIRING. WE HAVE A PLAN WHERE
- 8 WE WILL HOPEFULLY HAVE THESE POSITIONS FILLED BY THE END OF
- 9 THIS YEAR. EVEN WITH THOSE POSITIONS FILLED, WE STILL WILL NOT
- 10 HAVE THE PRODUCTION HOURS TO MANAGE THE OVERTIME AND THE
- 11 PRODUCTION BACKLOG NEEDS.

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO IN ADDITION TO THE 160 --

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- 15 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: 161. SO I THINK WHAT WE SHOULD DO IS
- 16 PROBABLY JUST WORK WITH THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE GOING INTO
- 17 SUPPLEMENTAL TO SEE IF THERE'S SOME RESOLUTION TO THIS.

- 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MY CONCERN -- AND I THINK A LOT OF THE
- 20 BOARD MEMBERS WOULD POSSIBLY AGREE -- IS THAT WE DEFINITELY
- 21 NEED TO GO AFTER FOLKS THAT OWE US, THE COUNTY, FUNDING IN
- 22 THIS PARTICULAR INSTANCE. AND I THINK THE QUICKER WE CAN GET
- 23 TO THAT HIGH PRIORITY, FOLKS OR INVESTIGATORS, TO ME, THAT
- 24 WOULD BE KIND OF A RATIONAL PLAN TO FOCUS IN ON THAT. I CAN'T



- 1 FULLY GRASP THAT WE HAVE 160-SOME POSITIONS THAT ARE NOT
- 2 FILLED AND THEN YOU'RE ASKING FOR ADDITIONAL 36.

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- 4 JEFF PRANG: MOST OF THOSE 160 POSITIONS ARE NOT APPRAISAL
- 5 POSITIONS. THOSE INCLUDE CLERICAL. THEY INCLUDE OWNERSHIP.

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- 7 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: THAT WOULD BE THERE'S ABOUT 61 THAT ARE
- 8 APPRAISAL POSITIONS.

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10 **JEFF PRANG:** AS OF APRIL 30TH, WE HAVE 32 APPRAISAL POSITIONS.

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- 12 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: I THINK WE SHOULD PROBABLY JUST WORK
- 13 AGAIN GOING INTO..

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15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, AS WE --

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17 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: ..SUPPLEMENTAL ON THE ITEMS.

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19 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MADAME CHAIR?

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

- 23 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: I DON'T KNOW TO THE EXTENT THAT IT'S
- 24 ADVISABLE, BUT PERHAPS THERE OUGHT TO BE SOME POLICY
- 25 CONSIDERATIONS THAT'S JUST THAT NO NEW INCREASES UNTIL ALL



- 1 VACANCIES, THESE 85, 90 PERCENT OF THE VACANCIES ARE FILLED.
- 2 THAT WAY WE CAN'T BE ACCUSED OF PERPETUATING A BLOATED
- 3 BUREAUCRACY. SO THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE HAS DONE REMARKABLY WELL
- 4 IN THE LAST TWO YEARS UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP, MR. PRANG, AND WE
- 5 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. BUT IN TERMS OF THE PRECEDENTIN SETTING
- 6 IMPLICATIONS OF THAT NUMBER OF VACANCIES AND THE REQUESTS FOR
- 7 NEW HIRES SEEMS TO ME TO BE TAKING US DOWN A PATH OF FISCAL
- 8 IMPRUDENCE. WE DO NEED TO MANAGE THE WORKFORCE PROPERLY, WHICH
- 9 MEANS THAT IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE BEING
- 10 PRODUCTIVE AND AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR SALARY INCREASES
- 11 IN TERMS AND NEGOTIATIONS, WE CAN'T DO BOTH. WE CAN'T DO BOTH.
- 12 LIMITED RESOURCES WITH WHICH TO WORK AND THE PERSONNEL, THE
- 13 H.R. PIECE IS A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF OUR BUDGETARY
- 14 ALLOCATIONS. YOU KNOW THAT. WE ALL KNOW THAT. AND SO I DON'T
- 15 KNOW -- AND PERHAPS, MADAME C.E.O., WHAT SHOULD HAPPEN IS A
- 16 PROPOSAL COMES TO THE BOARD FROM PERHAPS YOUR OFFICE THAT KIND
- 17 OF GIVES PARAMETERS THAT SUGGEST REQUESTS FOR INCREASE WITH
- 18 RESPECT FOR NEW POSITIONS WILL BE ENTERTAINED BY THE BOARD ON
- 19 THE ASSUMPTION THAT YOU DON'T HAVE A BACKLOG OF VACANCIES THAT
- 20 HAVEN'T BEEN ADDRESSED. SO I'M GOING TO MAKE THAT REQUEST FOR
- 21 YOU TO COME FORTH WITH THAT.
- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I AGREE, BUT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE
- 24 OVERTIME. THAT'S WHAT'S TROUBLING. SO IF WE CAN FIGURE OUT HOW
- 25 TO ADDRESS THAT.



1 2 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR? 3 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: ABSOLUTELY. CAN I JUST, PLEASE? 4 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SURE. 6 7 8 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: REAL QUICK. AND I THINK THE OTHER THING 9 IS GOING INTO SUPPLEMENTAL, IN TERMS OF LOOKING AT THE ASSESSOR'S VACANCIES, IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL POSITIONS THAT 10 11 HE NEEDS THAT HE CURRENTLY DOESN'T HAVE, HE'S GOT VACANT CLERICAL POSITIONS, WE COULD ALSO LOOK AT CONVERTING THOSE 12 13 INTO APPRAISAL POSITIONS. 14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RIGHT. RIGHT. THAT'S WHAT I THINK WE'RE 15 16 HOPEFULLY LOOKING AT. 17 18 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: WE CAN WORK TOGETHER ON MOVING FORWARD ON 19 THAT. 20

HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KNABE? 21

- 23 SUP. KNABE: YEAH, THAT WOULD BE MY QUESTION AS IT RELATES TO
- 24 MAYBE SOME CONVERSION PIECE. BUT WE HAVE TO REMEMBER, THIS IS
- A REVENUE GENERATOR. THIS DEPARTMENT GENERATES THE REVENUE FOR 25



- 1 THE COUNTY. SO WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL HOW WE BALANCE THAT ALL
- 2 OUT AND WHAT POSITIONS ARE VACANT THAT GENERATE REVENUE AND
- 3 WHAT POSITIONS ARE VACANT THAT ARE CLERICAL. AND THE QUESTION
- 4 I WAS GOING TO ASK, IS THERE A WAY TO CONVERT SOME OF THE
- 5 CLERICAL INTO AVAILABLE APPRAISER POSITIONS?

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7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RIGHT.

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9 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: ABSOLUTELY.

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- 11 SUP. KNABE: THE OTHER, CAN I JUST ASK? ARE YOU STILL SOLID ON
- 12 THE 5-PERCENT GROWTH?

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- 14 JEFF PRANG: YES, WE WILL BE RELEASING OUR FORECAST ON FRIDAY,
- 15 AND WE BELIEVE THAT 5 PERCENT WILL BE THE NUMBER FOR NEXT
- 16 YEAR.

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- 18 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: YOUR ANSWER SHOULD HAVE BEEN IT'S
- 19 PREDICATED ON WHETHER OR NOT YOU GET YOUR BUDGET FILLED.
- 20 [LAUGHTER.]

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22 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: TOO LATE. TOO LATE. TOO LATE.

- 24 JEFF PRANG: SUPERVISOR, I DON'T HAVE TO SAY THAT. YOU SAID IT
- 25 FOR ME. BUT I DID WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT WE'VE BEEN LASER-



- 1 FOCUSED ON TRYING TO FILL THESE VACANT POSITIONS, BUT THE
- 2 REQUESTS FOR 36 POSITIONS, WHICH ARE ALREADY ORDINANCE
- 3 POSITIONS, THEY'RE JUST UNFUNDED, IS IN ADDITION TO OUR
- 4 ANTICIPATED WORK PROGRAM WITH FILLING THOSE POSITIONS.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, WE GOT IT. THANK YOU.
- 7 THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION.

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9 JEFF PRANG: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. MOVING ON. WE HAVE COREY CALAYCAY.

- 13 COREY CALAYCAY: MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
- 14 SUPERVISORS, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS COREY CALAYCAY. I AM A
- 15 CITY COUNCILMEMBER FROM THE CITY OF CLAREMONT. I ALSO SERVE AS
- 16 THE CHAIRMAN OF YOUR COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION. I WANT TO
- 17 BEGIN BY LETTING YOU ALL KNOW THAT THE COMMISSION WILL BE
- 18 MEETING HERE NEXT WEDNESDAY, MAY THE 18TH, AT 10 A.M. AND WE
- 19 USUALLY MEET OFF-SITE. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO MEET
- 20 WITH YOUR DEPUTIES, YOUR LIBRARY DEPUTIES. SO HOPEFULLY YOU
- 21 WILL SEND YOUR LIBRARY DEPUTIES TO OUR MEETING OR OTHER
- 22 APPROPRIATE STAFF. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXTEND AN
- 23 INVITATION TO YOU ALL. I KNOW YOU'RE BUSY, BUT IF YOU CAN DROP
- 24 BY FOR A COUPLE OF MINUTES AND MEET YOUR COMMISSIONERS, WE
- 25 WOULD BE HONORED TO HAVE YOU THERE. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR



- 1 YOUR PAST AND ONGOING SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM.
- 2 YOU HAVE PROVIDED US ONE-TIME FUNDING FOR BOOKS AND MATERIALS.
- 3 MANY OF YOU HAVE PROVIDED OUT OF YOUR DISCRETIONARY ACCOUNTS
- 4 TO PROVIDE UPGRADES AND RENOVATIONS TO LIBRARIES WITHIN YOUR
- 5 DISTRICTS. WE THANK YOU FOR THAT. YOU HAVE APPOINTED RECENTLY
- 6 A NEW COUNTY LIBRARIAN, SKYE PATRICK. SHE BRINGS A NEW
- 7 PERSPECTIVE TO THE LIBRARY, NEW EXPERIENCE, AND WE HOPE THAT
- 8 YOU WILL SUPPORT HER AND OUR LIBRARY BY APPROVING THE PROPOSED
- 9 BUDGET FOR OUR COUNTY LIBRARIES TO INCLUDE, OF COURSE, UNMET
- 10 NEEDS. SOME OF THOSE INCLUDE, OF COURSE, BOOKS AND MATERIALS,
- 11 SECURITY, AND PUBLIC SAFETY. YOU HAVE ALL MENTIONED DEFERRED
- 12 MAINTENANCE. THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT, INSURING THAT WE KEEP OUR
- 13 LIBRARIES ON THE CUTTING EDGE, THAT WE KEEP THEM RELEVANT FOR
- 14 THE COMMUNITIES, THAT WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE PROGRAMMING
- 15 THAT WE NEED FOR THE COMMUNITY. KEEP IN MIND THAT THOSE
- 16 LIBRARIES ARE PROBABLY AMONGST THE HIGHEST-TRAFFICKED
- 17 BUILDINGS IN THE COUNTY, BECAUSE WE PROVIDE SERVICES TO
- 18 EVERYONE. AND SO IN THAT REGARD, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE
- 19 ADDRESS THOSE NEEDS. I WANT TO POINT OUT TO YOU THAT WE ARE
- 20 WELL-POSITIONED TO ADVANCE SOME OF THE INITIATIVES THAT YOU
- 21 HAVE PUT FORWARD AS A COUNTY, TO INCLUDE, IT WAS BROUGHT UP,
- 22 HOMELESSNESS. WE HELP WITH HOMELESS CONCERNS. WE HELP WITH
- 23 REGARDS TO VETERANS. WE HELP WITH REGARDS TO CITIZENSHIP AND
- 24 IMMIGRATION. WE HELP WITH REGARDS TO COMBATTING HUMAN
- 25 TRAFFICKING. THESE ARE ALL THINGS THAT THE LIBRARY IS WORKING



- ON. AND SO ASSURING THAT YOU IDENTIFY FUNDING TO HELP US
- 2 ADVANCE THESE INITIATIVES, WE CAN SUPPORT YOU. I WANT TO TALK
- 3 ABOUT A PROGRAM THAT I'M VERY PROUD OF THAT WE'RE PARTNERING
- 4 WITH LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HALL, WHEN JUVENILE HALL WAS
- 5 BROUGHT UP, TO RENOVATE SOME SPACE IN THERE AND PROVIDE
- 6 LIBRARY SERVICES IN LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HALL. SO THESE ARE
- 7 CREATIVE THINGS THAT OUR LIBRARY STAFF IS WORKING ON. AND I
- 8 THINK IN THAT SENSE, AS HAS BEEN POINTED OUT, I THINK IT'S ONE
- 9 OF THOSE AREAS WHERE IT'S A GOOD INVESTMENT OF COUNTY FUNDS TO
- 10 SUPPORT THE LIBRARY IN HELPING YOU TO SERVE YOUR
- 11 CONSTITUENCIES WELL. AND SO I REALIZE YOU HAVE FUNDING
- 12 CHALLENGES. I CAN APPRECIATE THAT AS A CITY COUNCILMEMBER. BUT
- 13 BY THE SAME TOKEN, WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL GIVE SERIOUS
- 14 CONSIDERATION AND STRONG SUPPORT TO THE COUNTY LIBRARY. THANK
- 15 YOU VERY MUCH.

- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. I KNOW THAT
- 18 CLAREMONT HAS BEEN ABLE TO UTILIZE SOME OF OUR DISCRETIONARY
- 19 FUNDING FROM DISTRICT 1. BUT AS A NEW BOARD MEMBER, WE DO HAVE
- 20 A VAST NUMBER OF NEEDS THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN ADDRESSED IN THE
- 21 FIRST DISTRICT. SO I JUST WANT TO, YOU KNOW, JUST LET FOLKS
- 22 KNOW THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO OUR BEST IN TERMS OF BALANCING
- 23 WHAT THOSE NEEDS ARE, BECAUSE WE SPAN AS FAR AS SOUTH GATE,
- 24 SOUTHEAST CITIES, TO MACARTHUR PARK, TO EAST LOS ANGELES, AND
- 25 OBVIOUSLY IN THE INTERIOR PART OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. SO



- 1 OUR NEEDS ARE VERY HIGH, AND WE HAVE TO BALANCE THAT APPROACH.
- 2 I THANK YOU FOR COMING HERE.

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- 4 COREY CALAYCAY: AND MAY I JUST MENTION, CHAIRMAN SOLIS, I
- 5 RECOGNIZE THAT. AND ONE OF YOUR OTHER LIBRARIES, BELL, IS OF
- 6 OUR CONCERN. SO, I DON'T COME JUST ADVOCATING FOR CLAREMONT.
- 7 AS THE CHAIRMAN, I DO ADVOCATE FOR ALL LIBRARIES IN THE
- 8 SYSTEM. SO, THANK YOU.

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10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, YES.

- 12 HERB HATANAKA: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, I'M DR. HERB
- 13 HATANAKA. I'M PRIVILEGED TO SERVE AS A COMMISSIONER FOR THE
- 14 PAST SIXTEEN YEARS FOR THE FOURTH DISTRICT. THANK YOU,
- 15 SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR THAT EXPERIENCE. IT'S BEEN AN
- 16 EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCE. AND ALSO, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
- 17 KNABE, ON BEHALF OF RESIDENTS OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOR YOUR
- 18 \$45-MILLION LIBRARY EXPANSION, NEW LIBRARIES, EXPANSIONS,
- 19 REFURBISHMENTS, SO ALL THE LIBRARIES IN YOUR DISTRICT. IT'S
- 20 TRULY EXTRAORDINARY AND HISTORIC. I'M HERE TODAY TO ECHO THE
- 21 RECOMMENDATIONS OF OUR CHAIR ABOUT THE BUDGET, PROPOSED
- 22 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE LIBRARY BY SKYE PATRICK, PARTICULARLY
- 23 THE UNMET NEEDS SECTION. IN PARTICULAR, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE
- 24 YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF THE PUBLIC
- 25 LIBRARY IN YOUR KEY PRIORITY AREAS, INCLUDING IMMIGRATION AND

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- 1 CITIZENSHIP, HOMELESSNESS, VETERANS PROGRAMS, L.G.B.T.Q.
- 2 ACCESS AND SERVICES, COMBATTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING. IF I MAY,
- 3 LET ME ADD ONE MORE PRIORITY TO THAT UNMET NEED LIST: YOUR
- 4 CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE LIBRARY'S CRITICAL ROLE IN ACADEMIC
- 5 ACHIEVEMENT AND LIFELONG LEARNING AMONG OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH
- 6 OF THIS COUNTY, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE AT RISK. IN MY MY
- 7 ACADEMIC CAREER AS A PROFESSOR OF SOCIAL WORK AT U.S.C. AND MY
- 8 AGENCY WORK AT S.S.G., I'VE PARTICIPATED IN MANY STUDIES AND
- 9 PROGRAMS ATTEMPTING TO TURN AROUND AT-RISK YOUTH, TYPICALLY
- 10 RAISED IN IMPOVERISHED COMMUNITIES. THE MOST EFFECTIVE
- 11 PROGRAMS PROMOTE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND INSPIRE LIFELONG
- 12 LEARNING AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A LIFE OF CRIME AND
- 13 DISILLUSIONMENT. I CAN TELL YOU CATEGORICALLY THAT THESE
- 14 PROGRAMS THAT THE LIBRARY SUPPORTS ARE EFFECTIVE; HOWEVER,
- 15 THEIR LONG TERM IMPACT IS DEPENDENT UPON THE YOUTHS' ACCESS TO
- 16 AN ACCESSIBLE AND ROBUST PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM. PERHAPS MORE
- 17 IMPORTANT THAN AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTS AND ALL THE MANY ACTIVITY
- 18 PROGRAMS THAT ARE AVAILABLE, THE ACCESS TO KNOWLEDGE AND
- 19 INFORMATION THROUGHOUT LIFE SPAN IS A KEY FACTOR. PLEASE
- 20 SUPPORT THE CONTINUED TRANSFORMATION OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY
- 21 SYSTEM TO ADDRESS THESE NEEDS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING, BOTH OF
- 24 YOU. OKAY, NOW WE'RE GOING TO TURN TO THE PUBLIC AND WE'LL BE
- 25 CALLING UP INDIVIDUAL SPEAKERS AND THEY'LL BE ALLOTTED EACH 2



- 1 MINUTES ON ITEMS 1 AND 2. SO AS WE MOVE FORWARD, I'LL CALL YOU
- 2 UP IN GROUPS. WE HAVE CONNIE HAN, KAREN SOLOMON, ELIANA MESA,
- 3 AND THERESA WYATT MONROE.

- 5 CONNIE HAN: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CONNIE HAN, PUBLIC HEALTH
- 6 NURSE WITH L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. I WORK AT
- 7 HEALTHCARE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. I'VE BEEN
- 8 THERE FOR 15 YEARS. WE ARE THE EYES AND THE EARS FOR THE
- 9 CHILDREN, THE FOSTER CHILDREN. WE ARE IN CHARGE OF 63 PERCENT
- 10 OF THE 35,000 CHILDREN IN CHILD WELFARE SYSTEMS. THEY ARE THE
- 11 VERY VULNERABLE ONES, AND WE AS THE P.H.N. ARE THE ADVOCATE
- 12 FOR THE FOSTER CHILDREN. WE ARE HERE IN ASKING TO SUPPORT FOR
- 13 UNFREEZING THE 10 ITEMS THAT'S BEEN FROZEN DUE TO THE
- 14 DECLINING STATE ALLOCATION PROGRAM FUNDS. THESE ARE FOR PUBLIC
- 15 HEALTH NURSES, ONE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE SUPERVISOR, ONE
- 16 ASSISTANT PROGRAM SPECIALIST, AND FOUR INTERMEDIATE CLERKS.
- 17 OUR CASELOAD IS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 300 TO 600 CASES. MY CURRENT
- 18 CASELOAD IN DISTRICT 4 IS ALMOST 390, WHICH IS DOUBLE THE
- 19 STATE RECOMMENDATION. WE'RE ONLY PUTTING IMMEDIATE FIRES OUT.
- 20 WE HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME ADVOCATING FOR CHILDREN, BECAUSE WE
- 21 ARE JUST PUTTING ONE FIRE AFTER ANOTHER. THE CHILDREN'S SAFETY
- 22 IS AT ISSUE HERE. THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION HAS MANDATED THAT
- 23 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES GO OUT IN THE HOME VISIT WITH THE SOCIAL
- 24 WORKER ON ALL REFERRALS UNDER THE AGE OF 3. DEPARTMENT HAS
- 25 HIRED 1,500 SOCIAL WORKERS AND INCREASED THE EMERGENCY



- 1 RESPONSE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES TO DO HOME VISITS, WHICH IS
- 2 GREAT. BUT THEY DIDN'T THINK ABOUT THE OTHER HALF. WHAT
- 3 HAPPENS WHEN THEY'RE DETAINED? WE HAVE A HARD TIME AS IT IS
- 4 SUPPORTING THE CHILDREN RIGHT NOW. BUT AT THE END, TO PUT THAT
- 5 ON TOP OF US, IT'S AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF WORK AND WE JUST
- 6 DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF LEISURE TIME TO DO THESE THINGS. I
- 7 WANTED TO TELL YOU ABOUT AN 11-YEAR-OLD GIRL THAT RECENTLY
- 8 OCCURRED. SHE HAS CLEFT PALATE LIP, HEART MURMUR AND MENTAL
- 9 DISORDER. SHE'S BEEN IN THE SYSTEM TWO YEARS. BECAUSE SHE'S
- 10 BEEN PLACED FROM HOME TO HOME, SHE GOT LOST IN OUR SYSTEM, OUR
- 11 HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. IT TOOK US MULTIPLE PHONE CALLS, MULTIPLE
- 12 MEETINGS, AND MULTIPLE CONTACT WITH OTHER PROVIDERS AND
- 13 SPECIALISTS TO GET THAT SERVICE STARTED. AFTER ALMOST NINE
- 14 MONTHS OF WORK, WE WERE ABLE TO GET HER BACK INTO PLASTIC
- 15 SURGERY, CARDIOLOGISTS, MENTAL HEALTH, AND RULE OTHER STUFF
- 16 OUT. WE ARE ASKING FOR YOU TO HELP US IN UNFREEZING THAT 10
- 17 ITEMS SO THAT THE CHILDREN'S SAFETY IS THE ISSUE RIGHT NOW.
- 18 THANK YOU.

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- 20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I HAVE A QUESTION FOR THE C.E.O. CAN YOU
- 21 EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENED THERE WITH THE FROZEN POSITIONS?

- 23 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: SURE. AND WE COULD CERTAINLY -- I THINK
- 24 PUBLIC HEALTH IS ALSO HERE. BUT THE 10 ITEMS THAT SHE'S
- 25 REFERRING TO ARE GRANT-FUNDED ITEMS, AND WE LOST THE FUNDING



- 1 FOR THOSE ITEMS. SO WHEN WE LOSE THE FUNDING, THOSE ITEMS ARE
- 2 THEN FROZEN. IT'S BEEN BOARD POLICY NOT TO BACKFILL ANY
- 3 PROGRAMS THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY GRANT-FUNDED BY GENERAL FUND
- 4 DOLLARS.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO, THESE GRANTS WEREN'T RENEWABLE OR THEY
- 7 HAD MET THEIR LIFE EXPECTANCY?

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- 9 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: I BELIEVE SO. IF WE NEED MORE
- 10 INFORMATION, WE HAVE PUBLIC HEALTH HERE. BUT WE WILL WORK WITH
- 11 PUBLIC HEALTH BETWEEN NOW AND SUPPLEMENTAL JUST TO TAKE A LOOK
- 12 AT IT AND SEE IF THERE IS ANY -- IF THEY HAVE PUT IN FOR
- 13 ADDITIONAL GRANT FUNDING ON IT.

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15 CONNIE HAN: WHICH WE HAVE AT THE STATE LEVEL.

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17 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: YOU HAVE PUT IN FOR THE FUNDING?

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19 **CONNIE HAN:** YEAH.

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. GOOD. WE'LL FOLLOW-UP.

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23 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: WE'LL WORK WITH PUBLIC HEALTH ON THAT.



1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. NEXT SPEAKER. THANK

2 YOU.

- 4 KAREN SOLOMON: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KAREN SOLOMON. I'M A
- 5 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SUPERVISOR IN THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM
- 6 WITHIN PUBLIC HEALTH. I'M HERE BASICALLY WITH CONNIE. WE HAVE
- 7 THE SAME ISSUE. WE HAVE THE FROZEN ITEMS THAT WE HAVE NOT
- 8 REALLY BEEN GIVEN A REASON AS TO WHY THEY WERE FROZEN, THE
- 9 ITEMS THAT SHE MENTIONED. WE ARE CHARGED WITH 63 PERCENT OF
- 10 SEEING THE CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE, WHICH EQUALS 22,000-PLUS
- 11 CHILDREN OUT OF THE HOME OF PARENTS. AND SOMEHOW THEY'VE
- 12 INCREASED THE WORKLOAD, I'M SORRY, THEY'VE INCREASED THE
- 13 SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
- 14 SERVICES, BUT IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND IN ALSO IN DEPARTMENT OF
- 15 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, THEY KIND OF FORGOT ABOUT US. WE
- 16 ONLY HAVE 70-SOMETHING PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES TO OVERSEE 22,000
- 17 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. AND SOMEHOW -- WE'RE ALSO CHARGED
- 18 WITH S.B.319 TO OVERSEE ALL OF THE PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATIONS,
- 19 WHICH BEGAN JANUARY 1ST, 2016. WE'RE ALSO OVERSEEING THE BLUE
- 20 RIBBON COMMISSION IN COMPTON AND VERMONT, WHICH MARK RIDLEY-
- 21 THOMAS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS' AND ALL OF
- 22 YOU ARE WELL-AWARE OF. WE'RE DROWNING. THE KIDS ARE SUFFERING.
- 23 IF WE CAN GET ANYTHING OUT OF THIS, WE HAVE TO HELP THESE
- 24 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. THEIR CASES ARE MORE SERIOUS. AND
- 25 ONCE AGAIN, WE'VE ALREADY LOBBIED TO MANY OF THE BOARD OF



- 1 SUPERVISORS IN THIS OFFICE HERE, AND WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP.
- 2 I MEAN, THEY'RE TELLING US THAT WE CAN'T GET FIVE PUBLIC
- 3 HEALTH NURSES IN A SUPERVISOR ITEM. AS A SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE
- 4 10 TO 13 P.H.N.S THAT WE OVERSEE PLUS 22 DIFFERENT OFFICES IN
- 5 ALL THE REGIONS FROM LANCASTER TO LAKEWOOD. AND, YOU KNOW,
- 6 CURRENTLY THE CHILDREN ARE THE ONES WHO ARE SUFFERING. SO NOW
- 7 THAT WE HAVE MORE SOCIAL WORKERS, IT'S A GREAT THING. HOWEVER,
- 8 WE HAVE MORE EYES LOOKING AT THE CHILDREN AND LESS NURSE
- 9 CONSULTANTS TO ASSIST WITH THE MEDICAL NEEDS OF THE CHILDREN.
- 10 SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

- 14 LILIANA MESA: MY NAME IS LILLIANA MESA, AND I'M A NURSE
- 15 PRACTITIONER WORKING AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. AND
- 16 FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO START OFF BY SAYING THANK YOU TO THE
- 17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DURING OUR NEGOTIATIONS IN 2015, WE MADE
- 18 PROGRESS FORWARD IN TERMS OF PROVIDING QUALITY HEALTH CARE FOR
- 19 OUR RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BUT THERE'S MORE WORK
- 20 THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO INVEST IN THE
- 21 FUTURE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE ARE ASKING HERE TODAY
- 22 THAT YOU INCLUDE NURSE PRACTITIONERS TO LEVEL 17 IN YOUR 2017
- 23 BUDGET. WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND MILLIONS OF
- 24 CALIFORNIANS ENTERING AN ALREADY OVERBURDENED HEALTHCARE
- 25 SYSTEM, AND WITH THE SHORTAGE OF PHYSICIANS IN THE UNITED



- 1 STATES AND THE FORECAST OF 50,000 LESS PHYSICIANS, NURSE
- 2 PRACTITIONERS PLAY A CRUCIAL ROLE IN BRIDGING THE GAP TO
- 3 ENSURE THAT OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS AND VULNERABLE
- 4 POPULATION RECEIVE HIGH-QUALITY, TIMELY CARE. WELL-DOCUMENTED
- 5 STUDIES OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT NURSE
- 6 PRACTITIONERS PROVIDE SAFE, COST-EFFECTIVE, HIGH-QUALITY CARE.
- 7 IN OUR EMERGENCY ROOM AT LOS ANGELES AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL
- 8 CENTER, THIS YEAR ALONE WE HAVE LOST 10 NURSE PRACTITIONERS TO
- 9 OUR COMPETITORS. AND WE ARE HERE TO ASK YOU TO CONTINUE TO
- 10 INVEST IN THE AGENCY, CONTINUE TO INVEST IN OUR NURSE
- 11 PRACTITIONERS SO THAT OUR VULNERABLE POPULATION, OUR RESIDENTS
- 12 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CAN RECEIVE THE WORLD-CLASS, HIGH-
- 13 OUALITY CARE THAT THEY DESERVE. AND WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO
- 14 WORK COLLABORATIVELY WITH YOU, OUR HONORABLE BOARD OF
- 15 SUPERVISORS, SO THAT WE CAN ENSURE THAT OUR RESIDENTS RECEIVE
- 16 QUALITY CARE AND THAT WE RETAIN THE QUALITY AND TALENTED NURSE
- 17 PRACTITIONERS AND NOT LOSE THEM TO OUR COMPETITORS. AND THANK
- 18 YOU AND WE ASK YOU THAT YOU PLEASE CONTINUE TO ADD US TO YOUR
- 19 BUDGET.

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

- 23 THERESA WHITE MONROE: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND HONORABLE
- 24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR GOOD-FAITH
- 25 COMMITMENT TO THE AFFORDABLE SUCCESSFUL, COMPETENT HEALTHCARE,



- 1 AS YOU DEMONSTRATED YOUR ROLE IN THE FRUITION OF THE SUPER-
- 2 AGENCY. AS I HEARD FROM MULTIPLE SPEAKERS, D.H.S. IS A SAFETY
- 3 NET FOR ALL OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS. AND I ASK THAT YOU
- 4 INCLUDE THE NURSE PRACTITIONER IN YOUR BUDGET FOR THE NEXT
- 5 YEAR. NURSE PRACTITIONERS FILL THE GAP IN WHICH WE NEED
- 6 PROVIDERS. A SIMPLE FORMULA. IN OUR NEGOTIATIONS, WE HEARD
- 7 THAT THERE WAS NOT A SHORTAGE. SO THAT WAS NOT A PRIORITY. BUT
- 8 THERE ARE AN EXODUS OF SKILLED NURSE PRACTITIONERS LEAVING
- 9 L.A. COUNTY SERVICES. THERE ARE NEW NURSE PRACTITIONERS COMING
- 10 IN. WHO SUFFERS? THE PATIENTS, BECAUSE WITH THE EXODUS OF
- 11 EXPERIENCED PROVIDERS, MENTORSHIP IS GONE, EXPERTISE IS GONE,
- 12 HIGHER LEVELS OF CARE ARE WALKING OUT THE DOOR. SO, THEREFORE,
- 13 WHEN YOU LOOK AT YOUR BUDGET, YOU SAY "OH, WE DON'T HAVE -- WE
- 14 DON'T SEE A PROBLEM," BUT OUR PATIENTS SEE THE PROBLEM. WHEN
- 15 THEY COME IN, MISSED APPOINTMENTS, THEY CAN'T GET APPOINTMENTS
- 16 FROM DOWN THE LINE, THEY COME IN WITH ADVANCED DISEASE
- 17 PROCESSES. TO CURE ANYTHING, EVERYONE KNOWS IF YOU CATCH IT IN
- 18 TIME, PREVENTION, PREVENTION, PREVENTION DECREASES THE BUDGET.
- 19 THE WAIT TIMES IN THE E.R., THE FINES THAT WE GET BECAUSE WE
- 20 DON'T HAVE THE PROVIDERS TO SEE THE PATIENTS, THE ANSWER IS
- 21 STARING YOU IN THE FACE: THE NURSE PRACTITIONERS. THERE ARE
- 22 370-PLUS NURSE PRACTITIONERS WITHIN L.A. COUNTY WHO ARE READY
- 23 TO WORK AND SERVE THE CLIENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. SO PLEASE
- 24 INCLUDE US IN YOUR BUDGET. PREVENTION, PREVENTION, PREVENTION
- 25 MAKES THE COSTS GO DOWN. THANK YOU.



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- 2 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WHAT IS YOUR NAME? YOU DIDN'T STATE YOUR
- 3 NAME FOR THE RECORD.

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5 THERESA WHITE MONROE: OH, MY NAME IS THERESA.

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7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. THERESA WHAT? THERESA WHITE MONROE.

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9 THERESA WHITE MONROE: THERESA WHITE MONROE. YES, MA'AM.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, GREAT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY
- 12 MUCH. KAREN SOLOMON? SHE SPOKE ALREADY. YOU'RE OKAY. SORRY.
- 13 GOOD, THANK YOU. OKAY, OUR NEXT GROUP IS DIANE ROXBORO,
- 14 COLLEEN MURPHY, DIANA ZUNIGA AND ROGER DIAMOND. GOOD MORNING.
- 15 YOU CAN GO AHEAD.

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- 17 DIANE ROXBORO: GOOD MORNING. PLEASE PARDON MY VOICE RIGHT NOW.
- 18 I'M HAVING LARYNGITIS. BUT I COULDN'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITY TO
- 19 SPEAK ON BEHALF OF --

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: STATE YOUR NAME, PLEASE.

- 23 DIANE ROXBORO: MY NAME IS DIANE ROXBORO. I'M ALSO ONE OF THE
- 24 NURSE PRACTITIONERS WHO JUST RECENTLY SPOKE, AND I'M A NURSE
- 25 PRACTITIONER IN L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER AND ONE OF THE



- 1 DEPARTMENT THAT THEY MENTIONED ABOUT THE MASS EXODUS IS
- 2 EMERGENCY MEDICINE DEPARTMENT. GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE HILDA
- 3 SOLIS AND THE REST OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I AM HERE IN
- 4 FRONT OF YOU TO TESTIFY HOW NURSE PRACTITIONERS HIGH ATTRITION
- 5 RATES IMPACTED THE L.A. COUNTY'S GOAL IN PROVIDING TIMELY,
- 6 EFFICIENT, AND EFFECTIVE QUALITY PATIENT CARE TO OUR
- 7 VULNERABLE POPULATION. AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER WHO IS GREATLY
- 8 IMPACTED BY THIS MASS EXODUS, THE JOB OF TWO TO THREE NURSE
- 9 PRACTITIONERS RIGHT NOW IS BEING DONE ONLY BY ONE NURSE
- 10 PRACTITIONER. THE CHALLENGE IS NOT THE RECRUITMENT, AS THEY
- 11 SAID, BUT THE CHALLENGE IS THE RETENTION. WE ARE LOSING A LOT
- 12 OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS, HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TO OUR COMPETITIVE
- 13 HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING MORE BETTER COMPETITIVE
- 14 COMPENSATION. I'M JUST HERE TO TESTIFY IN FRONT OF YOU THAT I
- 15 AM ONE OF THOSE CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDING IN SPITE OF THESE
- 16 STRUGGLES AND DON'T LOSE VISION IN MAKING SURE OUR LOS ANGELES
- 17 PATIENTS ARE CONTINUOUSLY GETTING HIGH-QUALITY PATIENT CARE.
- 18 PLEASE INVEST IN OUR OWN NURSE PRACTITIONERS. IT HAS BEEN LIKE
- 19 FIVE DECADES OF REPETITIVE STUDIES THAT WE ARE ONE OF THE
- 20 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS THAT'S STILL CONTINUING BEING AN ALLY IN
- 21 BRIDGING THE HEALTHCARE DISPARITY GAPS IN OUR LOS ANGELES
- 22 CONSTITUENTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

- 24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. CAN I ASK YOU, HOW LONG HAVE
- 25 YOU BEEN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY?



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- 2 DIANE ROXBORO: I'VE BEEN WORKING AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER IN
- 3 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR OVER TWO YEARS, BUT I HAVE BEEN A
- 4 NURSE PRACTITIONER WORKING IN THE PRIVATE FOR OVER FOUR YEARS.
- 5 BUT I'M A REGISTERED NURSE OVER TOTAL OF 13 YEARS. SO I'VE
- 6 WORKED IN OTHER HEALTHCARE AGENCIES, PRIVATE AGENCIES BEFORE
- 7 COMING TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

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9 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO WHY DO YOU STAY WITH US?

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- 11 DIANE ROXBORO: I STAY BECAUSE DURING THE ENTIRE 13 YEARS, I'VE
- 12 BEEN SERVING THE VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. AND I'VE SEEN..

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14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOU'RE COMMITTED.

- 16 DIANE ROXBORO: ..THE STRUGGLE THAT WHEN I WAS WORKING AT
- 17 PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS, WE STILL BUMP THEM TO THE LOS ANGELES
- 18 HOSPITALS. AND THE STRUGGLE FOR ME BEFORE IS I FEEL
- 19 INEFFICIENT, IN A WAY. WHY THESE PATIENTS GO OUT OF THESE
- 20 HOSPITALS AND JUST SUE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY? SO IT'S STILL A
- 21 LIVING MISSION FOR ME TO WORK IN THE LOS ANGELES INSTITUTION
- 22 ORGANIZATION, AND I STILL WANT TO CONTINUE. BUT IT'S A PAIN
- 23 FOR ME SEEING FELLOW NURSE PRACTITIONERS WHO NOW BE -- FRIENDS
- 24 BE IN LIKE PATH ON TO THESE OTHER PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS.



- PLEASE CONTINUE CONSIDERING US. PLEASE CONTINUE SUPPORTING US
- 2 FOR THE NEXT BUDGET.

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MA'AM. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 6 COLLEEN MURPHY: YES, HI. MY NAME IS COLLEEN MURPHY. I'M WITH
- 7 ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER BASED IN VENICE, CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE
- 8 REPRESENTING ST. JOSEPH'S, WHO IS A HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDER
- 9 AS WELL AS LOW-INCOME SERVICE PROVIDER AS THE LEAD FOR
- 10 COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM IN S.P.A. 5 AS WELL AS A PARTNER IN
- 11 SERVICE AREA 6. AND I JUST WANTED TO THANK THE BOARD OF
- 12 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP IN THE ISSUE AROUND
- 13 HOMELESS SERVICES. AND WE ARE VERY, VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE
- 14 C.E.O.'S BUDGET THAT WAS JUST PUT FORTH. AND WE FEEL LIKE IT
- 15 REALLY HAS REAL SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS AN ISSUE OF THE MAGNITUDE
- 16 THAT L.A. COUNTY HAS NEVER SEEN BEFORE. WHILE THE BUDGET IS
- 17 INCREDIBLE AND PROVIDES REALLY A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO ADDRESS
- 18 HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COUNTY, I'D LIKE TO DRAW ATTENTION TO TWO
- 19 AREAS THAT WE WOULD LOVE TO REQUEST SOME ADDITIONAL
- 20 CONSIDERATION TO DO THIS IMPORTANT WORK. AS SOMEBODY WHO RUNS
- 21 BOTH OUR HOMELESS SERVICE CENTER, WHICH IS A BRICK-AND-MORTAR
- 22 FACILITY, AS WELL AS SOMEBODY WHO SUPPORTS OUR STREET-BASED
- 23 SERVICES, WE REALLY WANT TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THE NEED FOR
- 24 STREET-BASED OUTREACH AND HOUSING NAVIGATION. WE WOULD LOVE TO
- 25 SEE THIS SUPPORTED IN THE MAGNITUDE OF \$6.1 MILLION, THE



- 1 REASON BEING THAT WHILE BRICK-AND-MORTAR SUPPORT IS REALLY
- 2 IMPORTANT AND WE APPLAUD THESE ADDITIONS IN THE HOMELESS PLAN,
- 3 WITHOUT STREET-BASED SERVICES, WE REALLY WON'T BE ABLE TO DO
- 4 THE WORK THAT'S REOUIRED. THE OTHER PIECE IS C.E.S.
- 5 COORDINATION. WE REALLY NEED TO BUILD A STRONG PLATFORM TO
- 6 SUPPORT THE WORK THAT WE HAVE DONE UNDER COORDINATED ENTRY
- 7 SYSTEM, BECAUSE IF WE BUILD ON SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T HAVE A
- 8 STRONG FOUNDATION, IT WILL COLLAPSE. SO WE ASK THAT THIS BE
- 9 SUPPORTED AT THE \$2 MILLION RANGE, WHICH MEANS \$3.1 MILLION
- 10 FOR THESE ADDITIONAL PIECES. AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU
- 11 ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US WHO DO THIS WORK FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.
- 12 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK TO ADDRESS THIS
- 13 REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE. THANK YOU.

HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER.

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- 17 DIANA ZUNIGA: MY NAME IS DIANA ZUNIGA, AND I'M WITH
- 18 CALIFORNIANS FOR A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET. IT'S GREAT TO HEAR THAT
- 19 YOU WERE AT EASTLAKE THIS PAST WEEKEND FOR MOTHER'S DAY. WE
- 20 WERE ACTUALLY AT LYNWOOD JAIL FOR MOTHER'S DAY ON SUNDAY FROM
- 21 ABOUT 8 TO 12 AND HEARD A LOT OF THE STORIES FROM FAMILIES
- 22 VISITING THEIR LOVED ONES. SOME OF THE STORIES WE HEARD WERE
- 23 THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE THAT ARE INCARCERATED IN THE WOMEN'S JAIL
- 24 RIGHT NOW. THEY SAID THEY NEEDED FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS
- 25 SO THAT THEY DIDN'T GET INCARCERATED FOR FRAUD OR THEFT IN



- 1 THAT AREA. WE ALSO HEARD A STORY FROM A WOMAN WHOSE DAUGHTER
- 2 WAS PREGNANT INSIDE OF THE JAIL AND WAS GOING TO GIVE BIRTH
- 3 AND WASN'T GOING TO BE RELEASED UNTIL NOVEMBER. SHE HAD NO
- 4 IDEA THAT SHE COULD ACTUALLY POSSIBLY GET AN ALTERNATIVE
- 5 PROGRAM INSTEAD OF BEING PLACED IN JAIL AND BE RECONNECTED
- 6 WITH HER CHILD. THESE ARE THE STORIES THAT WE'RE HEARING. AND
- 7 THESE ARE THE STORIES THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE SHARING WITH YOU
- 8 LATER ON. IN THIS BUDGET CYCLE, WE KNOW THAT YOU GUYS HAVE
- 9 DONE A LOT OF POSITIVE THINGS. BUT THERE'S A LOT OF FUNDING
- 10 THAT'S BEING SET ASIDE JUST IN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET THAT COULD
- 11 BE REDIRECTED TO A LOT OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE HEARD OF
- 12 ALREADY. THE FACT THAT \$6 MILLION IS BEING SET ASIDE IN THE
- 13 P.F.U. IN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET FOR ADDITIONAL JAIL
- 14 CONSTRUCTION DOLLARS OR ADDITIONAL JAIL CONSTRUCTION IS
- 15 SOMETHING THAT WE COULD ACTUALLY MOVE INTO BUILDING AN
- 16 INFRASTRUCTURE FOR FOLKS THAT ARE HOMELESS, BUILDING AN
- 17 INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE NURSES, AND ALSO EVEN MOVING FORWARD
- 18 WITH POSITIVE CONSTRUCTION PROPOSALS THAT THE ASSESSOR'S
- 19 OFFICE TALKED ABOUT. THESE ARE THINGS WE CAN INVEST IN INSTEAD
- 20 OF SITTING ON \$6 MILLION FOR FUTURE CONSTRUCTION THAT WE FEEL
- 21 IS UNNECESSARY. THERE ARE PROGRAMS THAT YOU ALL ARE PUTTING IN
- 22 PLACE, AND WE COULD MOVE THIS FUNDING INSTEAD OF JUST LEAVING
- 23 IT IN THE BUDGET TOWARDS BUILDING A SOLID INFRASTRUCTURE WITH
- 24 SHORT-TERM STEPS FOR A REALLY BRIGHT, LONG-TERM FUTURE FOR THE
- 25 FOLKS THAT ARE LIVING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY RIGHT NOW. SO



- 1 WE'RE ASKING FOR A FEW THINGS. ONE, WE'RE ASKING THAT WE MOVE
- 2 THIS \$6 MILLION TOWARDS THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE, TOWARDS
- 3 CONSTRUCTION, MOVE 50 PERCENT OF RE-ALIGNMENT DOLLARS AWAY
- 4 FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AND TOWARDS THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND
- 5 REENTRY. AND WE HAVE ANOTHER SERIES OF REQUESTS FOR THE BUDGET
- 6 IN THIS LETTER THAT WE WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU ALL.

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DILIGENCE IN
- 9 POINTING OUT YOUR VISIT TO LYNWOOD JAIL. HAVING VISITED THERE,
- 10 IT OCCURRED TO ME THAT MANY OF THE WOMEN THERE WERE ASKING FOR
- 11 MORE CLASSES, WHETHER IT WAS EVEN COSMETOLOGY, WANTING TO TAKE
- 12 UP A TRADE, GETTING A LICENSE, AND FINISHING THEIR EDUCATION.
- 13 THERE WEREN'T ENOUGH COURSE OFFERINGS IN ADDITION TO NOT
- 14 ENOUGH HEALTH PRACTITIONERS AVAILABLE TO HELP PROVIDE
- 15 PREVENTION FOR SOME OF THE WOMEN THAT WERE WAITING TO BE SEEN
- 16 AND HAD TO WAIT MAYBE FOUR TO SIX WEEKS TO SEE SOMEONE, A
- 17 DENTIST. SO I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. THANK YOU VERY
- 18 MUCH FOR YOUR WORK.

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20 DIANA ZUNIGA: THANK YOU.

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- 22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ROGER DIAMOND. ERIC PREVEN. JOSEPH
- 23 MAIZLISH.



- 1 ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
- 2 DISTRICT. BUDGET HEARINGS ARE IMPORTANT, AND TWO MINUTES IS
- 3 VERY HARD ON ALL OF THE BUDGET. I'LL DO MY BEST. I LISTENED
- 4 CAREFULLY TO THE CONVERSATION YESTERDAY, EVEN THOUGH I HAD TO
- 5 LEAVE A BIT EARLY, ABOUT THE HOMELESSNESS AND ABOUT MAYBE
- 6 REACHING FOR MORE TAXES OR FINDING SOME WAY TO GET THE 400-
- 7 AND-SOMETHING MILLION DOLLARS. AND I JUST WANT TO EMPHASIZE
- 8 THAT JAIL CONSTRUCTION, WHICH IS BEING EARMARKED AND WAS
- 9 LOOKED AT BY A.E.C.O.M., THE GROUP THAT THE SUPERVISOR WAS
- 10 CHASING A REPORT ON, AND, FRANKLY, I'VE BEEN CHASING A REPORT
- 11 ON THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE REPORT FROM A.E.C.O.M. FOR A LONG
- 12 TIME. AND I'VE ALSO ASKED THE C.E.O. TO PROVIDE A LOOK AT THE
- 13 JOB-ORDER CONTRACTING, WHICH IS ANOTHER WAY THAT THE COUNTY IS
- 14 NOW DEPLOYING MORE AND MORE MONEY. AND I'M CONCERNED THAT SOME
- 15 IS FALLING OFF THE SIDE OF THE BOAT THAT COULD BE PUT TO GOOD
- 16 USE. SO, I THINK THINKING ABOUT HOW A BIG JAIL IS A KIND OF
- 17 HOUSING BUT IT'S THE KIND OF HOUSING THAT WE HAVE BEEN IN
- 18 TOUCH WITH THE NATIONAL ZEITGEIST IS THE WRONG TYPE OF
- 19 SOLUTION, THAT INCARCERATION OF LOW-LEVEL OFFENDERS OR ALL
- 20 KINDS OF OFFENDERS IS JUST NOT PRODUCING THE RESULT THAT WE
- 21 WANT. IT'S NOT HELPING WITH THE RECIDIVISM. AND SO NATIONWIDE,
- 22 PEOPLE ARE SAYING WE HAVE TO RETHINK THIS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE
- 23 AISLE. AND ONE PARTICULARLY GLARING ASPECT OF THAT IS THIS
- 24 SUGGESTION THAT A GOOD IDEA IS TO BRING A WOMAN'S FACILITY TO
- 25 MIRA LOMA, 80 OR 70 OR 60 MILES AWAY, WHERE WOMEN WILL BE



- 1 INCARCERATED IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY WILL BE SEPARATED
- 2 DIRECTLY FROM THE COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY LIVE WHERE THEY ARE
- 3 NEEDED. WOMEN ARE THE GLUE IN SOCIETY, IN FAMILIES, AND THE
- 4 FACT THAT THAT ONE SLIPPED THROUGH BECAUSE THERE WAS SOME
- 5 STATE FUNDING NEEDS TO BE RETHOUGHT. THE FACT THAT WE'RE
- 6 MOVING FORWARD WITH A \$2-BILLION JAIL WITHOUT DOING THE
- 7 APPROPRIATE REDUCTION BEFORE CONSTRUCTION IS ALL I CAN SAY IN
- 8 TWO MINUTES, BUT I HAVE A LOT MORE TO SAY. AND I CAN ONLY TELL
- 9 YOU THAT I FEEL THE SUPERVISORS' PAIN IN HOW TO RESOLVE THESE
- 10 THINGS. AND FINALLY, AS I LEAVE, WHY DON'T YOU WRITE A FIVE-
- 11 SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE 139 BILLIONAIRES WHO HAVE MADE THE
- 12 PLEDGE, AND SEE IF THEY CAN PROVIDE SOME -- SOME OF THEM LIVE
- 13 IN L.A. I MEAN, SOMEONE OUGHT TO DO ABOUT PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
- 14 HOUSING.

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME. THANK YOU. THANKS. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 18 JOE MAIZLISH: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I SECOND THE CONCERNS
- 19 OF THE LAST TWO SPEAKERS. BY THE WAY, THE BILLION HERE AND THE
- 20 BILLION THERE I THINK WAS CENTERED FOR EVERETT DIRKSEN SOME
- 21 YEARS AGO. THIS SESSION REMINDS ME OF PERHAPS SUPERVISOR
- 22 ANTONOVICH AND MAYBE PHIL ANSELL, WHO WAS THERE, I THINK, IN
- 23 '93 IN DEALING -- WHEN SUPERVISOR MOLINA SAID, "FOLKS, YOU'RE
- 24 TALKING ABOUT WHERE YOU WANT US TO SPEND MONEY. ONE OF YOU
- 25 OUGHT TO TELL US WHERE YOU WANT TO CUT MONEY, BECAUSE THAT'S



- 1 WHAT WE HAVE TO DO IF WE'RE GOING TO SPEND MORE." I APPRECIATE
- 2 THE SITUATION YOU'RE IN. IN EFFECT, YOU FOLKS ARE THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT OF PAIN APPORTIONMENT. IT'S NOT WHERE YOU WANT TO
- 4 BE. BUT ALL OF THIS SPEAKS TO ME, AND THE DEPENDENCY THAT YOU
- 5 HAVE ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS TO FUND THINGS THAT ARE ON YOUR
- 6 LIST OF PRIORITIES TELLS ME THAT YOU REALLY DO NEED TO HAVE
- 7 INDEPENDENT SOURCES OF INCOME. AND THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS
- 8 THAT I LIKED THE HOUSING PROPOSAL OF YESTERDAY. THE OBJECTIONS
- 9 TO THE PROPOSALS HAVE A LOT TO DO WITH THIS TENSION BETWEEN
- 10 THE STATE AND COUNTY. "THE STATE OUGHT TO BE REPRIORITIZING
- 11 ITS BUDGET, " SAID SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND I AGREE
- 12 COMPLETELY. SUPERVISOR KNABE, "IF THE COUNTY UNDERTAKES THIS
- 13 PLAN, MAYBE THE STATE WILL GET INTO THE HABIT OF DUMPING
- 14 THINGS ON US." IT ALREADY IS, OF COURSE. I SHARE THAT. OR YOUR
- 15 CONCERN, MADAME CHAIR, THAT THINGS WILL BE -- THERE ISN'T
- 16 CLARITY ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN SACRAMENTO AND YOUR CONCERN
- 17 ABOUT THE PROPER APPORTIONMENT AMONG OUR DISTRICTS. ALL THESE
- 18 ARE REASONABLE CONCERNS. THEY ARE NOT REASONS TO DO NOTHING,
- 19 THOUGH. AND THIS REMINDS ME OF A STORY. I LOOKED AT A SOCIAL-
- 20 ETHICS TEXTBOOK CALLED "THE BOOK OF LUKE," AND IT HAS THE
- 21 STORY OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN WHO HELPED THE PERSON BY THE ROAD
- 22 WHO HAD BEEN ROBBED, BEATEN, AND LEFT FOR DEAD. WHEN DR. KING
- 23 TOLD THE STORY, HE SAID, "THERE WERE TWO PREVIOUS PEOPLE WHO
- 24 PASSED, ONE A PRIEST WHO HAD TO GO TO AN ECCLESIASTICAL
- 25 CONFERENCE, POSSIBLY, ANOTHER A LEVITE, WHO SAID, 'IF I STOP



- 1 AND HELP THIS GUY, MAYBE THE ROBBERS ARE STILL AROUND, THEY'LL
- 2 ATTACK ME.'" AND SO, THE QUESTIONS THAT CAME UP THEN WAS: IF I
- 3 HELP HIM, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME? BUT WHEN DR. KING RETOLD THE
- 4 STORY, HE SAID THE OPERATIVE QUESTION FOR ALL OF US, AND IT'S
- 5 BEFORE YOU IS: IF WE DON'T HELP HIM, IF WE DON'T STOP AND HELP
- 6 HIM, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO HIM?

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY. WE HAVE MONICA ALCARAZ,
- 9 NATHANIEL VERGOW, IRENE MURRO, CHRISSY PADILLA BURKY, AND DR.
- 10 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. PLEASE JUST BE REMINDED TO STATE YOUR NAME
- 11 UP FRONT. GO AHEAD.

- 13 MONICA ALCARAZ: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MONICA ALCARAZ. I'M
- 14 PRESIDENT OF THE HISTORIC HIGHLAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL.
- 15 I AM A VOLUNTEER WITH RECYCLE RESOURCES FOR THE HOMELESS, AN
- 16 ALL-VOLUNTEER NONPROFIT WORKING WITH THE HOMELESS IN NORTHEAST
- 17 LOS ANGELES, WHICH WORKED TO OPEN THE FIRST AND ONLY WINTER
- 18 SHELTER IN NORTHEAST L.A. I AM ALSO THE COORDINATED ENTRY
- 19 SYSTEM REGIONAL COORDINATOR FOR NORTHEAST L.A. SO I COME TO
- 20 YOU AS A RESIDENT AND SOMEONE THAT SEES THE ISSUE OF
- 21 HOMELESSNESS FROM MANY DIFFERENT ASPECTS. THE INCREASE IN
- 22 FUNDING PROPOSED OF 138 MILLION IS CRITICAL TO ACCELERATE THE
- 23 WORK BEING DONE. FORWARD. I AM THANKFUL FOR THE SUBSTANTIAL
- 24 INCREASE IN ALLOCATION TO L.A.H.S.A. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO
- 25 SUPPORT AN INCREASE OF FUNDING FOR THE REGIONAL COORDINATION

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- 1 FROM \$700,000 TO \$2 MILLION. THE \$700,000 WILL ONLY MAINTAIN
- 2 THE CURRENT LEVEL OF COORDINATION IN EACH S.P.A. THE ADDITION
- 3 OF THE FUNDS WOULD PROVIDE FOR HUB COORDINATION THAT WOULD
- 4 FOCUS ON EACH S.P.A. IN A SMALLER LEVEL AND OUTREACH
- 5 COORDINATION AND DISPATCH OF OUTREACH WORKERS. IT WILL PROVIDE
- 6 FOR SHELTER AND RAPID REHOUSING MATCHES ALSO, ALONG WITH
- 7 SYSTEM AND SERVICE COORDINATION. THE SECOND ITEM IS THE
- 8 COORDINATED -- THE C.E.S. COORDINATED CASE MANAGEMENT AND
- 9 OUTREACH OF HOUSING NAVIGATION. I SUPPORT FUNDS FOR THIS ITEM
- 10 TO BE PROVIDED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6.1 MILLION. THE ADDITION OF
- 11 C.E.S. COORDINATION CASE MANAGEMENT WILL PROVIDE FOR THE
- 12 STREET-TO-HOME SUPPORTS THAT ENABLE THE PROACTIVE OUTREACH AND
- 13 PLACEMENT OF HIGHER-ACUITY PERSONS ON OUR STREETS WHO MAY NOT
- 14 OTHERWISE ENGAGE WITH OUR SYSTEM. OUTREACH AND NAVIGATION
- 15 SERVICES ENABLE THE COMMUNITY TO WORK WITH THESE HIGH-ACUITY
- 16 PERSONS TO MEET THEIR IMMEDIATE NEEDS, COLLECT THE NEEDED
- 17 DOCUMENTATION FOR HOUSING, AND LINK THEM TO PERMANENT HOUSING
- 18 RESOURCES. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU'RE DOING.

20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

22 NATHANIEL VERGOW: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME'S NATHANIEL VERGOW,

- 23 AND I WORK AT L.A. FAMILY HOUSING, WHICH IS IN THE SAN
- 24 FERNANDO VALLEY AND NORTH HOLLYWOOD SPECIFICALLY. I'M HERE
- 25 THIS MORNING FIRST OF ALL TO THANK THE BOARD AND THE C.E.O.



- 1 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING THE CRISIS OF HOMELESSNESS
- 2 AND FOR BEING THE FIRST TO COMMIT REAL DOLLARS TO ADDRESS IT.
- 3 I'M HERE TO OFFER MY SUPPORT FOR THE C.E.O.'S PROPOSED BUDGET
- 4 FOR THE HOMELESS INITIATIVES BUT WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT THE
- 5 BOARD CONSIDER RELEASING A PORTION OF THOSE FUNDS EARLY IN
- 6 ORDER TO COINCIDE WITH THE UPCOMING R.F.P. FROM THE LOS
- 7 ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT
- 8 THIS RELEASE INCLUDE \$2 MILLION FOR C.E.S. REGIONAL
- 9 COORDINATION AND \$6.1 MILLION FOR OUTREACH AND NAVIGATION
- 10 SERVICES. THE FUNDING FOR THE C.E.S. COORDINATION CAN BE FOUND
- 11 IN THE STRATEGY LABELED STRENGTHENING C.E.S. THE \$6.1 MILLION
- 12 FOR OUTREACH WOULD INCLUDE A REQUEST TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF
- 13 MONEY ALLOCATED THROUGH THE COORDINATED OUTREACH STRATEGY BY
- 14 \$3.1 MILLION. BY RELEASING THE FUNDS EARLY, THE BOARD WOULD
- 15 ENSURE THAT WE WOULD HAVE A FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK UPON WHICH TO
- 16 BASE THE COMMUNITY PLANS THAT WE'RE DEVELOPING THROUGH THE
- 17 R.F.P. PLANNING PROCESS. AND IN TERMS OF THE INCREASE IN
- 18 OUTREACH FUNDING, I THINK IT'S ESSENTIAL TO UNDERSTAND THAT
- 19 OUTREACH IS AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE, AS IT PROVIDES THE PRIMARY
- 20 MECHANISM FOR CONNECTING OUR HOMELESS NEIGHBORS TO THE ARRAY
- 21 OF SERVICES PROPOSED IN THE INITIATIVES, WHETHER THAT BE
- 22 WORKING WITH THE POLICE TO MINIMIZE THE PUBLIC IMPACT OF
- 23 STREET ENCAMPMENTS OR CONNECTING FOLKS TO HEALTH, MENTAL
- 24 HEALTH, AND SUBSTANCE-USE CARE OR CONNECTING FOLKS TO SHELTER
- 25 OR, FINALLY, EVEN CONNECTING FOLKS DIRECTLY TO PERMANENT



- 1 HOUSING THROUGH PROGRAMS SUCH THAT HELP CHRONICALLY HOMELESS
- 2 OR THROUGH THE RAPID REHOUSING PROGRAMS THAT ARE GEARED
- 3 TOWARDS THE NEWLY HOMELESS. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 7 CHRISSY PADILLA BURKY: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND
- 8 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CHRISSY PADILLA BURKY, AND
- 9 I'M THE DIRECTOR OF OUR PLACE HOUSING SOLUTIONS. WE'RE A SMALL
- 10 HOMELESS-SERVICE PROVIDER IN BELLFLOWER, AND WE SERVE THE
- 11 OTHER EIGHT CITIES SURROUNDING US IN SOUTHEAST L.A. COUNTY. WE
- 12 ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR RECOGNITION OF AND PRIORITIZATION OF
- 13 THE HOMELESS ISSUE IN OUR COUNTY AND FOR THE INCLUSION OF
- 14 FUNDING FOR THAT ISSUE IN YOUR DRAFT BUDGET. FOR US IN S.P.A.
- 15 7 AND S.P.A. 6, COUNTY DOLLARS DEDICATED TO C.E.S. REGIONAL
- 16 COORDINATION AND STREET OUTREACH ARE ESPECIALLY CRUCIAL. AND
- 17 THAT'S BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE VERY MANY SHELTER BEDS. SO, FOR
- 18 US, BY DEFAULT, WE ARE HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON OUTREACH AND
- 19 COORDINATION TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS. WE'RE BASICALLY BOOTS ON
- 20 THE GROUND ONLY IN THAT PART OF THE COUNTY. WE ALSO HAD THE
- 21 LARGEST INCREASE IN HOMELESSNESS IN 2015 IN THAT AREA, AND WE
- 22 DID MAKE SOME PROGRESS IN 2016. BUT IN ORDER TO KEEP UP WITH
- 23 THAT PROGRESS AND ACTUALLY DECREASE HOMELESSNESS IN THE NEXT
- 24 YEAR, WE NEED SOME MORE FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY TO FUND THE
- 25 STAFF AND HELP US MAKE SUCCESS. AND BY SUCCESS, I MEAN

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- 1 PERMANENTLY HOUSING THE MOST VULNERABLE NEIGHBORS IN THAT
- 2 AREA. I'M ALSO IN THE MIDDLE OF BUDGET SEASON AS A SMALL
- 3 NONPROFIT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND I'M SEEING A TREND. THE
- 4 TREND IS THAT FUNDERS ARE DEMANDING HIGHER AND HIGHER OUTCOMES
- 5 IN ORDER TO MEET THE GROWING NEED. BUT NOT VERY MANY FUNDERS
- 6 ARE WILLING TO ACTUALLY FUND THE STAFFING THAT'S REQUIRED TO
- 7 DO THAT TYPE OF WORK. SO BY INCREASING THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE
- 8 BUDGETS FOR C.E.S. REGIONAL COORDINATION TO \$2 MILLION AND
- 9 OUTREACH TO \$6.1 MILLION, YOU MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR
- 10 ORGANIZATIONS LIKE OURS TO CONTINUE DECREASING HOMELESSNESS IN
- 11 S.P.A. 6 AND 7. AND THAT'S ULTIMATELY WHAT IT'S REALLY ALL
- 12 ABOUT FOR US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

16 IRENE MURRO: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. MY

- 17 NAME IS IRENE MURO, AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF WHITTIER
- 18 AREA FIRST STATE COALITION IN THE CITY OF WHITTIER. OUR
- 19 MISSION IS TO ASSIST WOMEN, MEN, AND FAMILIES WHO ARE AT RISK
- 20 OF OR CURRENTLY EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS TO TRANSITION TOWARD
- 21 SELF-SUFFICIENCY. OUR SERVICE AREA IS THE GREATER WHITTIER
- 22 AREA, INCLUDING THE CITIES OF WHITTIER, LA MIRADA, PICO
- 23 RIVERA, MONTEBELLO, AND SANTA FE SPRINGS. I WOULD LIKE TO
- 24 BEGIN BY THANKING THE BOARD FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING
- 25 HOMELESSNESS THROUGH BOTH STRATEGIC PLANNING AND COMMITTING



- 1 ACTUAL DOLLARS TO IMPLEMENTING THE IDENTIFIED HOMELESS
- 2 STRATEGIES. WE ARE ALSO HERE TO DEMONSTRATE OUR SUPPORT FOR
- 3 THE C.E.O.'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE INITIATIVES AND TO ASK
- 4 FOR ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION OF 2 MILLION OF THESE FUNDS TO BE
- 5 DEDICATED TOWARD C.E.S. COORDINATION AND \$6.1 MILLION IN
- 6 OUTREACH NAVIGATION SERVICES AS PART OF L.A.H.S.A.'S UPCOMING
- 7 R.F.P. PROCESS. THESE TWO ITEMS ARE FUNDAMENTAL TO THE SUCCESS
- 8 OF THE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS BEING MADE TO CONNECT OUR COMMUNITY
- 9 MEMBERS IN NEED TO SERVICES AND GETTING THEM OFF THE STREETS
- 10 AND INTO HOUSING. THE ADDITIONAL OUTREACH DOLLARS ARE KEY TO
- 11 SUCCESSFUL ENGAGEMENT AND NAVIGATION OF OUR CLIENTS, WHO ARE
- 12 CHRONICALLY HOMELESS, HAVE CHALLENGES WITH TRUST, AND MAY BE
- 13 DEALING WITH A MYRIAD OF BARRIERS, INCLUDING MENTAL-HEALTH
- 14 ISSUES, DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADDICTION, AND AMONG OTHERS. IT TAKES
- 15 OUR OUTREACH TEAM'S TIME TO BUILD RAPPORT WITH OUR CLIENTS AND
- 16 SEVERAL ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES BEFORE SERVICE CONNECTIONS
- 17 CAN BE MADE AND THE REALITY OF ATTAINING HOUSING IS SOMETHING
- 18 WITHIN THEIR REACH. ADDITIONAL FUNDING WILL DOUBLE OUR
- 19 OUTREACH POTENTIAL TO REACH MORE CLIENTS, WHICH GETS US ONE
- 20 STEP CLOSER TO REACHING FUNCTIONAL ZERO IN BRINGING AN END TO
- 21 HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COUNTY. AN INVESTMENT IN REGIONAL
- 22 COORDINATION ALLOWS FOR CENTRALIZED PLANNING AND MORE
- 23 EFFICIENT LEVERAGING OF RESOURCES TO ENSURE THAT COUNTY FUNDS
- 24 ARE ABLE TO REACH ALL REGIONS IN THE COUNTY AND HAVE A MUCH
- 25 LARGER IMPACT. IT ALSO ALLOWS FOR STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS



- 1 TO LOCAL CITIES AND TO ASSIST IN THESE EFFORTS. THE ALLOCATION
- 2 REQUESTS WE ARE SPEAKING TO CAN BE FOUND WITHIN THE
- 3 STRENGTHENING C.E.S. AND COORDINATE OUTREACH STRATEGY
- 4 ALLOCATIONS. AND WE ARE ASKING FOR THE BOARD'S SUPPORT OF
- 5 GROWING THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE TO INCLUDE \$2 MILLION PER
- 6 C.E.S. COORDINATION AND \$6.1 MILLION OUTREACH AND NAVIGATIONS
- 7 THIS BUDGET SESSION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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9 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

- 11 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 12 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I THINK THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I EVER
- 13 SPEAK ABOUT A BUDGET. BUT I THINK THAT MAYBE WE SHOULD
- 14 DECREASE THE MONEY WE GIVE TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, BECAUSE,
- 15 I GUESS, RIGHT NOW THE INTEGRATED DEPARTMENT IS TOTALLY
- 16 NONFUNCTIONING AT THE D.A. THEY CANNOT EVEN LOOK AT BROWN ACT
- 17 VIOLATIONS, DO NOT RESPOND. AND RECENTLY WHEN I FIND, I
- 18 RECEIVE A NONRESPONSE, IT WAS RETURNED IN AN ENVELOPE
- 19 HANDWRITTEN. THE REPLY WAS NOT C.C.'D TO ANYBODY. I'M VERY
- 20 CONCERNED. AND, YOU KNOW, IN THE PAST, I HAD NEVER ASKED FOR
- 21 CUT A BUDGET, BUT I THINK THAT THE INTEGRATED DEPARTMENT IS
- 22 ALMOST TOTALLY NONRESPONSIVE AND THEY ARE FUNDED. YOU KNOW, I
- 23 HAVE ALWAYS OBJECTED THAT THE D.A. GET OUR MONEY FROM THE
- 24 BOARD, BECAUSE I THINK THAT DON'T LET THEM FREE TO BE TOTALLY
- 25 APPROPRIATE IN THEIR RESPONSE. BUT I THINK NOW THE WORK IS NOT



- 1 BEING DONE. ALSO, I THINK YOU SHOULD REDUCE YOUR BUDGET BY NOT
- 2 REFUNDING SOME OF THE COMMISSIONERS. AND SOME OF THE
- 3 COMMISSIONERS ARE TOTALLY ROGUE. I WILL NOMINATE THE
- 4 COMMISSION ON WOMEN IN PARTICULAR AND THE HOSPITAL COMMISSION.
- 5 THOSE ARE TWO VERY INEFFECTIVE COMMISSIONS. AND I HOPE YOU
- 6 SAVE SOME MONEY THIS WAY.

- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MEMBERS, THAT CONCLUDES ALL
- 9 PUBLIC COMMENT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO READ IN THE FOLLOWING
- 10 MOTION: I MOVE THAT THE BOARD RECEIVE AND FILE AND TAKE UNDER
- 11 ADVISEMENT VARIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS AND COMMENTS
- 12 MADE DURING THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS COMMENCING MAY 11, 2016
- 13 AND MAKE A FINDING THAT A NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS WAS
- 14 GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 29080 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE,
- 15 THAT SAID HEARINGS COMMENCED ON 11TH DAY OF MAY, 2016 PURSUANT
- 16 TO SAID NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 29081 OF THE GOVERNMENT
- 17 CODE. I ALSO MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC BUDGET
- 18 HEARINGS FOR PURPOSES OF ORAL TESTIMONY, FINDING THAT THERE
- 19 ARE NO PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE
- 20 HEARD BUT TO ALLOW MAXIMUM PUBLIC INPUT, PERMIT ADDITIONAL
- 21 WRITTEN TESTIMONY AND REQUESTS TO BE FILED THROUGH THE CLOSE
- 22 OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, MAY 20TH OF 2016. I FURTHER MOVE THAT
- 23 THE BOARD RECONFIRMS THAT BUDGET DELIBERATIONS WILL BEGIN ON
- 24 MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2016 AT 9:30 A.M. DO I HAVE A MOTION? MOVED



- 1 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
- 2 OBJECTION. SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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- 4 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AND, MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE AN ADDITIONAL
- 5 MOTION, IF I MAY, WITH RESPECT TO MEETING ON MAY 10TH, A
- 6 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MYSELF, "THE DISCUSSION ON
- 7 FUNDING FOR SERVICES TO THE HOMELESSNESS IS A TOP PRIORITY FOR
- 8 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DISCUSSION WAS CONTINUED FROM THE
- 9 BOARD MEETING ON MAY 10TH, AND IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO SET A
- 10 DISCUSSION TIME TO ALLOW FOR A FULL DISCUSSION AND TO HEAR
- 11 TESTIMONY FROM THE STAKEHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE
- 12 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE
- 13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SET THE TIME OF THE HOMELESS DISCUSSION,
- 14 WHICH IS CONTINUED FROM THE MEETING OF MAY 10 TO 11 A.M. WE SO
- 15 MOVE. 17TH.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: BEFORE WE TAKE THIS ITEM UP, THOUGH, I
- 18 UNDERSTAND THERE WAS ONE INDIVIDUAL THAT HER NAME WAS CALLED
- 19 AND SHE DID NOT COME FORWARD. SO, DO WE HAVE TO REOPEN THIS?
- 20 JUST ALLOW FOR HER COMMENT TO BE MADE. MEREDITH BURKSON?
- 21 MEREDITH?

- 23 MEREDITH BURKSON: THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK. MY NAME
- 24 IS MEREDITH BURKSON. I AM THE DIRECTOR OF SOUTH COUNTY AND
- 25 COORDINATED ENTRY PROGRAMS FOR PATH, AND I SERVICE THE SERVICE



- 1 PROVIDER AREA 7 C.E.S. COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM REGIONAL
- 2 COORDINATOR. AND I WANT TO START BY ACKNOWLEDGING AND
- 3 APPRECIATING THE COUNTY'S LEADERSHIP IN CREATING, IMPLEMENTING
- 4 AND ATTACHING DOLLAR AMOUNTS TO YOUR HOMELESS INITIATIVE. I
- 5 HAVE BEEN INVOLVED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY INITIATIVE
- 6 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND HAVE BEEN TRULY INSPIRED BY THE LEVEL
- 7 OF THOUGHTFULNESS, COLLABORATION, AND INSIGHT THIS EFFORT HAS
- 8 HAD. I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK THAT THE COUNTY CONSIDER INCREASING
- 9 AND SHIFTING FUNDING TO TWO KEY AREAS OF THE COUNTY -- THE
- 10 HOMELESS INITIATIVE BUDGET: REGIONAL COORDINATION AND STREET
- 11 OUTREACH AND NAVIGATION. AND TO MAKE THESE FUNDS AVAILABLE
- 12 THROUGH THE UPCOMING L.A.H.S.A. R.F.P. I WORK IN TWO
- 13 HISTORICALLY UNDERRESOURCED AREAS OF L.A. COUNTY, S.P.A. 7 AND
- 14 S.P.A. 8. S.P.A. 7 IS ENTIRELY COUNTY, AND S.P.A. 8 HAS MOSTLY
- 15 COUNTY TERRITORY. IN THESE AREAS, COUNTY DOLLARS TOWARD
- 16 COORDINATION AND OUTREACH WILL BE ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN
- 17 ENDING HOMELESSNESS. COORDINATION FUNDING IS THE BACKBONE ON
- 18 WHICH ALL OF THESE SERVICES AND FUNDING SIT AND INSURES THAT
- 19 THESE AND OTHER FUNDS MAKE THE BIGGEST IMPACT ON THE CLIENTS
- 20 WE SERVE AND THAT FUNDS REACH PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS
- 21 IN ALL CORNERS, RIVERBEDS, AND ALLEYS OF THE COUNTY. IN TERMS
- 22 OF OUTREACH, INCREASING THIS BUDGET ITEM WOULD ALLOW OUR
- 23 STREET OUTREACH WORKERS TO DO THEIR JOB, TO BUILD RAPPORT AND
- 24 TRUST WITH THE MOST SUSPICIOUS AND HARD-TO-REACH INDIVIDUALS.
- 25 FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS, WHO ARE OFTEN THE MOST VULNERABLE AND



- I LIKELY TO DIE ON THE STREETS, IT CAN TAKE COUNTLESS ENGAGEMENT
- 2 ATTEMPTS BY OUTREACH WORKERS TO BUILD TRUST, MAKE PROGRESS,
- 3 AND EVENTUALLY HELP THE INDIVIDUAL GET OFF THE STREETS. THESE
- 4 ATTEMPTS TAKE LOTS OF TIME. TRYING TO LOCATE INDIVIDUALS GOING
- 5 INTO HARD-TO-REACH ENCAMPMENTS, TAKING CLIENTS TO THE D.M.V.,
- 6 D.P.S.S., MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS. AND MORE FUNDING FOR OUTREACH
- 7 AND NAVIGATION WOULD MEAN THIS INTENSITY OF SERVICES WOULD BE
- 8 AVAILABLE AND ACCESSIBLE TO MORE OF THE MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR
- 9 COMMUNITIES. LASTLY, WE'VE ASKED THAT THE CITY MAKE THE SAME
- 10 INVESTMENTS IN COORDINATION IN STREET OUTREACH --

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12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 14 MEREDITH BURKSON: WE'RE ASKING FOR THE COUNTY TODAY. THANK
- 15 YOU.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, WE HAVE ONE LAST
- 18 INDIVIDUAL THAT REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON THE BUDGET, AND THAT'S
- 19 HAZEL LOPEZ. SHE'S HERE?

- 21 HAZEL LOPEZ: HI. GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE FOR TWO REASONS: ONE,
- 22 TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE FOR THE COUNTY'S LEADERSHIP IN
- 23 INVESTMENT IN HOMELESS STRATEGIES, AND THE SECOND, TO REQUEST
- 24 THAT FUNDING BE PASSED THROUGH THE UPCOMING R.F.P. THAT WILL
- 25 BE RELEASED BY OUR CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR THE PURPOSES OF

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- 1 REGIONAL COORDINATION AND HOUSING NAVIGATION AND OUTREACH. IN
- 2 TERMS OF REGIONAL COORDINATION, AS SOMEONE THAT WAS PART OF
- 3 THE C.E.S. SKID ROW PILOT BACK IN MARCH OF 2013, I CAN TELL
- 4 YOU THAT PART OF THE SUCCESS OF THAT PILOT WAS THE FACT THAT
- 5 WE HAD A VERY DIVERSE GROUP OF EXPERTS THAT WERE HELPING TO
- 6 BUILD THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF C.E.S. BUT IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO
- 7 NOTE THAT THOSE INDIVIDUALS WERE DOING THAT WORK IN ADDITION
- 8 TO FULL-TIME JOBS. SO, WITHOUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE
- 9 COORDINATION ROLES AND THE STAFFING OF THEM, IT'S VERY
- 10 POSSIBLE THAT C.E.S. MAY NEVER HAVE MOVED PAST THAT PILOT
- 11 PHASE AND MOVE ON INTO BEING THE NATIONAL MODEL THAT IT IS
- 12 TODAY. SO WE ASK THAT FOR THE REGIONAL COORDINATION THAT THE
- 13 PROPOSED BUDGET BE INCREASED TO \$2 MILLION. FOR THE HOUSING
- 14 NAVIGATION AND OUTREACH PIECE, IT IS A REALLY VITAL AND
- 15 IMPORTANT PIECE OF OUR WORK. C.E.S. HAS MADE A SPECIAL EFFORT
- 16 TO TARGET RESOURCES AND HOUSING TOWARDS VETERANS AND HIGHLY
- 17 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. WITH THE ACQUISITION OF RAPID
- 18 REHOUSING, WE NOW HAVE A HOUSING INTERVENTION FOR ALL LEVELS
- 19 OF ACUITY IN C.E.S. BUT WITHOUT SUFFICIENT BOOTS ON THE GROUND
- 20 TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS, OUR WORK BECOMES VERY DIFFICULT. SO
- 21 WITH THAT, WE ASK THAT THE PROPOSED BUDGET ON HOUSING
- 22 NAVIGATION OUTREACH BE INCREASED TO \$6.1 MILLION. THANK YOU.

24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANKS FOR COMING FORWARD. OKAY, MEMBERS,

25 MOVING BACK NOW, THERE WAS A MOTION PRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR



- 1 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND I BELIEVE SECONDED BY KUEHL? AND THIS IS TO
- 2 ALLOW FOR A SET TIME FOR A CONTINUATION OF OUR DISCUSSION ON
- 3 THE HOMELESS ITEM.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE: ISN'T THAT YOURS? I THINK IT'S THE CHAIR'S
- 6 DECISION, RIGHT?

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MY UNDERSTANDING IS YES. I MEAN, PRIOR TO
- 9 MY BECOMING CHAIR, I KNOW THAT I WOULD OFTEN CONSULT WITH
- 10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ABOUT TRYING TO SET ITEMS, AND
- 11 OFTENTIMES I WAS NOT GIVEN THAT OKAY, I MEAN, BECAUSE THERE
- 12 WERE OTHER THINGS PRESSING. WE DID HAVE A LENGTHY DISCUSSION
- 13 YESTERDAY. WE HAD WELL OVER, I THINK, 60 INDIVIDUALS FROM THE
- 14 PUBLIC THAT CAME FORWARD. SO I DO KNOW THAT PEOPLE WILL BE
- 15 COMING AT THE NEXT MEETING, AND I WOULD PREFER TO PUT THIS
- 16 DOWN AS A POLICY ITEM. COUNTY COUNSEL?

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- 18 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: YES, MADAME CHAIR. SO WE'VE BEEN
- 19 LOOKING AT THE BOARD RULES ON THIS ISSUE. AND GENERALLY THESE
- 20 MATTERS DO FALL WITHIN THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR, SUBJECT
- 21 ONLY, THOUGH, TO A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD. SO IF A
- 22 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD WERE TO CARRY THIS MOTION, THEN
- 23 THAT WOULD -- THE MOTION WOULD PASS. IT WOULD BE SET AT THAT
- 24 PARTICULAR TIME.



- 1 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: IS THE REQUEST BEING MADE TO THE CHAIR? I
- 2 THINK WE ARE PREPARED TO ACCOMMODATE THAT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT
- 3 IT'S REASONABLE TO SET A TIME. IS THE CHAIR WILLING TO
- 4 ACCOMMODATE THE REQUEST?

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A VOTE ON IT. I
- 7 MEAN, I THINK THAT --

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- 9 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THE QUESTION IS WHETHER THE CHAIR WOULD BE
- 10 PREPARED TO ACCOMMODATE THE REQUEST. THE ONLY REASON IT'S HERE
- 11 IS BECAUSE IT WAS DENIED.

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOUR OFFICE WAS TOLD YESTERDAY.

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15 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: IT WAS TOLD WHAT?

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17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOUR OFFICE CALLED MY OFFICE..

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19 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: YES.

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ..AND SPOKE TO MY STAFF..

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23 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: RIGHT.



- 1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ..ASKING FOR THIS ITEM TO BE PLACED AGAIN
- 2 AT A SPECIAL HOUR..

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4 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: RIGHT.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ..WHEN WE HAD ALREADY DONE THAT JUST
- 7 YESTERDAY.

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9 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: SO, THE ANSWER WAS NO TO THE REQUEST?

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11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RIGHT. THAT WAS CONVEYED TO YOU.

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- 13 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THEREFORE, THE PROCEDURE IS IF IT IS
- 14 DENIED BY THE CHAIR, IT CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE BOARD FOR
- 15 CONSIDERATION. AND I WOULD APPEAL TO THE BOARD TO SET THE
- 16 TIME..

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18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: LET'S TAKE A VOTE. TAKE A VOTE.

- 20 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: ..SO THAT WE CAN ESSENTIALLY ACCOMPLISH
- 21 WHAT WAS EFFECTIVELY DECIDED TO CONTINUE THE ITEM SO THAT THE
- 22 PEOPLE WHO ARE COMING TO TESTIFY DO NOT HAVE TO SIT HERE
- 23 LONGER THAN WHAT IS REASONABLE. IT SEEMS TO ME, MADAME CHAIR,
- 24 THAT'S A REASONABLE REQUEST, AND I APPEAL TO THE BOARD TO
- 25 ACCOMMODATE IT IN THE INTEREST OF THE POLITY OF THE BOARD



- I ITSELF. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE CHAIR'S OFFICE SHOULD SEEK
- 2 TO PENALIZE THOSE WHO WISH TO COME AND ADDRESS A SPECIFIC --

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NOBODY IS PENALIZING ANYBODY.

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6 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: IF I MAY COMPLETE MY REMARKS.

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT'S BEEN
- 9 MOVED AND SECONDED. CALL THE ROLL.

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11 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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13 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE.

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15 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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17 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: AYE.

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19 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** ABSTAIN.

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- 23 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS ABSENT.
- 24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?



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HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NO.
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    LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE MOTION FAILS.
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    SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: ALL RIGHT, HILDA.
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    HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ARE YOU THREATENING ME?
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    SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: NO. I'M SAYING TO YOU THAT THERE'S A WAY
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    TO BE POLITE TO YOUR COLLEAGUES.
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    HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: LET THAT BE THE RECORD. WE HAVE A MOTION
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1	I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2	6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3	hereby certify:
4	That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5	Angeles County Board of Supervisors May 11, 2016,
6	were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
7	direction and supervision;
8	That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9	in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10	the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11	me.
12	I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13	related to any party to the said action; nor
14	in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.
15	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
16	17th day of May 2016, for the County records to be used only
17	for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
18	as on file of the office of the reporter.
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20	JENNIFER A. HINES
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